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GW and UHS unveil plans for new hospital

by Becky Neilson
News Editor

GW will cut the ribbon on a \$96 million state-of-the-art hospital in 2001, University and medical center officials announced Thursday.

The 400,000 square foot hospital will be constructed across 23rd Street from the existing facility, which has stood in Foggy Bottom since 1948.

Officials said they hope it will be the most modern hospital in the District, boasting a comprehensive women's health center, an expanded emergency room and private rooms with bathrooms for all patients.

GW Hospital CEO Philip Schaengold said GW officials hope to break ground on the new building by the end of 1998, pending the approval of the State Health Planning and Development Agency and the city's zoning board.

"The prospect of a new GW Hospital is truly



an exciting development," GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg told an auditorium packed with hospital personnel. "This announcement should be embraced by anyone who cares about the future of the District of Columbia."

The announcement is the first major move by the medical center since GW sold an 80 percent stake in the facility to a for-profit hospital chain six months ago.

Last April, GW agreed to a partnership with Pennsylvania-based Universal Health Services Inc., the third largest for-profit hospital management chain in the nation.

As part of the \$125 million partnership agreement, Universal pledged to pour money into upgrading GW's aging facilities.

John Williams, GW's vice president for medical affairs, said Universal will contribute about \$80 million of the funding for the new hospital, and the GW-UHS partnership will pitch in

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Campaign posters flood GW campus

Students sleep out for prime locations

by Francesca Di Meglio
Hatchet Staff Writer

With sleeping bags and pillows in hand, members of Sabina Siddiqui's campaign for Student Association president camped out in front of J Street all night Thursday to ensure wall space for her campaign posters.

"Some people passing by thought we were homeless," said Faisal Matadar, candidate for Columbian School of Arts and Sciences senator. "They even threw pennies at us."

Most candidates arrived at walls around campus between 7 and 8 a.m. Friday morning. However, they were not allowed to put posters up until 3:30 p.m.

"We were here early just to motivate our team and to get the good spots for posters," said Atif Qarni, Siddiqui's campaign manager.

Some of her campaign helpers found the experience to be fraught with memorable moments and chances to bond with one another.

"We had great conversations, played basketball and got drunk off hot chocolate," said Amina Chaudary, an undergraduate-at-large Senate candidate who had been outside J Street since midnight. "We even thought of having a bonfire on the Quad."

Like Chaudary, many campaigners played sports to pass the time.

Matthew Ball said he and current SA President Kuyomars "Q" Golparvar played golf on the street at 5 a.m.

Ball said they got to know homeless people who told them

mysterious stories about the Central Intelligence Agency.

Others passed the time in a more productive way, by catching up on reading they had missed while working on the campaign.

Veterans of GW campaigns used the time to reminisce about the campaigns of years past. SA executive

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Jay Crystal/asst. photo editor
Campaign workers plaster prime Marvin Center poster space.



Tyson Trish/editor in chief
Guard Marlo Egleston (12 points) delivers a no-look pass around La Salle's Laura Newhard during GW's 66-51 win in the A-10 Tournament quarterfinals Thursday.

GW falls in Atlantic 10 semis

NCAA bid in doubt after GW women lose to Va. Tech

by Dustin Gouker
Sports Editor

The GW women's basketball team is sitting on a bubble that is about to burst.

After losing a heartbreaker to Virginia Tech in the Atlantic 10 Tournament semifinals, the Colonial women (19-9) are going to need a little help from the selection committee to get an at-large bid into the NCAA Tournament.

With the semifinal loss, GW will not appear in the A-10 final for the

first time since the 1992-'93 season. The Colonial women have won two of the past three A-10 Tournaments.

Virginia Tech 73, GW 72

Three crucial offensive foul calls against GW late in the game helped lift the Lady Hokies (20-9) to a narrow 73-72 victory over the Colonial women at Mullins Center in Amherst, Mass. Sunday night.

With GW trailing by two points with less than two minutes left in the game, sophomore guard Elisa Aguilar came to the top of the right

arc and nailed a three-pointer that would have given GW a 67-66 lead.

The shot was waved off, though, and a moving screen was called on forward Noelia Gomez, who got tangled with Tech guard Amy Wetzel. Wetzel proceeded to hit two free throws to give Virginia Tech a 68-64 lead in what turned out to be a five-point swing.

Gomez then hit a three-pointer with 1:12 remaining to close the gap to 68-67, but on GW's next possession Aguilar was called for a charge

(See GW, p. 23)

Warm weather, cherry blossoms, green grass and baseball

Ah, February in Washington – the weather is warm, the interns are ready and the cherry blossoms are imminent. Spring is sprung, the grass is risen. I wonder where the ballpark is.

With the generous assistance of El Niño, we've been enjoying an Indian spring, which gets me itchy for the thing that I itch for every spring: baseball. (What did you expect? Get your mind out of the gutter!)

The last couple of years, I've been participating in a rotisserie baseball

league. (I learned very quickly not to call it "fantasy" baseball.) I ran a league in high school, so I thought it might be fun in college.

A rotisserie league is essentially like real baseball, except it's played by more fanatical people. You draft real players, and you get points when they excel in certain statistical categories. For example, you'd get a point when Ken Griffey Jr. gets a home run.

Boy, did I make a mistake joining a college league. Talk about fanatical. Instead of a normal, rea-

sonably healthy way to hang out with friends and talk baseball, my league has gone absolutely batty (excuse the pun) with baseball.

My friend Dan, (whose team is the Tampa Bay Bandits) called me, the owner of the Minnesota Argyle Sox, to talk baseball. What follows is the actual conversation.

Me: "So what do you think of Tony Clark?"

Dan: "Oh, I don't know. He's okay, but..."

Me: "But what? He hit 30 home runs last year."

Dan: "Yeah, but he's got a big problem. He's 6'6."

Me: "What do you mean?"

Dan: "Do you know how hard it is to keep your elbows in to hit for average when you're that tall?" (It should be noted that Dan is 5'9 in heels.)

Me: "No, I guess I don't. So why don't you trade him to me, then?"

Dan: "Absolutely not. He hit 30 home runs for me last year!"

And this kind of thing happens to me all the time. My friend Steve wrote me an e-mail asking if I thought Orlando Merced would revert to his 1995 form. For those of you scratching your heads, Merced is a first baseman for the Twins. And no, I don't know if he'll revert to his 1995 form.

On a sadder note, most everyone knows Harry Caray died last week. Harry, the idol of fraternity boys everywhere, will be missed by all Cub fans.

I was never a Cub fan, but during my childhood summers, I could twist the dials of my AM radio and hear Harry call a National League game. I think everyone would like to be like him – someone who did anything he wanted all of the time. He loved every minute of life, even in the later years when everybody

hates baseball.

For some unknown reason, I still love baseball. It just seems natural that as the season changes to springtime, baseball follows. And as the summer winds into cold, bleak winter, baseball hibernates.

Well, except for the owners, that is. I just can't stand greedy, millionaire owners trying to gouge fans and taxpayers for the ever-increasing dollar like Bud Selig (Milwaukee Brewers) or Carl Pohlad (Minnesota Twins).

Someone asked Ted Turner why he didn't make Georgia pay for Turner Field. He said, "What, are you crazy? I've got seven billion dollars. People need that state money to eat."

I don't really like the players all that much either. If you make eight million dollars a year, you should be expected to throw a slider for a strike on a three and one count. And you really shouldn't beat your wife either, or throw firecrackers at little kids, or try to run people down with your car.

I really can't stand the whole attitude of baseball these days, the whole money-grubbing, thumb your nose at the world kind of attitude. So, anybody for softball?



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'gwu.edu' domain awaits e-mailers

by Heather C. Shaw
Hatchet Staff Writer

Students and faculty will have the option to use "gwu.edu" as the domain name for their e-mail accounts starting Monday.

"gwis2.circ.gwu.edu is the Internet address of the computer and we are going to implement gwu.edu as an alternate Internet address or alias," said J. Bradley Reese, director of the Computer Information and Resource Center.

The new address will be "convenient and easy for the typing challenged," Reese said. He said the change is a response to numerous requests from the GW community.

"I think that it's a great idea," said sophomore Dawn Overby. "Now my family and friends will be able to remember my e-mail address and not complain that it's too long."

Students still will have to go through the gwis2 system to access e-mail, but e-mail sent to both domain names will appear. Reese said the longer domain name still will be active and no plan exists to remove it.

Reese said people will be informed of the new domain name through an announcement on gwis2's announcement section. An e-mail also was sent to some stu-

dents last week.

Several different e-mail services are used on campus — and Reese said in the future everyone will be able to use the gwu.edu domain as well as the one they currently use.

He said the new address shouldn't affect services provided by CIRC, but that CIRC personnel are prepared for any trouble spots.

List servers, addresses for mailing lists, might present a problem, Reese said.

Reese said confusion might arise if the computer doesn't recognize the new address. CIRC would be able to fix such a snag, Reese said.

Students who use outside programs to receive e-mail, like Microsoft Internet Explorer or Netscape, will need to make adjustments to the setup.

Reese said CIRC is preparing for the future of e-mail and computer services at GW.

"We are looking into providing a World Wide Web-based interface to e-mail, so any member of the University community could have a graphical interface to their e-mail from any graphical Web browser, such as Netscape, anywhere in the world, including computer labs on campus," he said. "We are evaluating several products that provide this kind of service."



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Potter for president

The job of Student Association president requires knowledge of how the system works, while at the same time not being swallowed by the system. The focus must always remain on why the SA exists – to serve students. The most realistic, focused and best-qualified candidate to lead the SA next year is Carrie Potter, potentially the first female SA president.

Potter's platform is three-pronged: academics, service and community. It's refreshing to hear academics is the top priority of a student leader – especially as GW prepares to pour \$7 million additional dollars into academic programs, faculty hiring and classroom renovations. Potter at the SA's helm would spotlight the importance of academic advising, information-sharing among students about compelling professors, little-known academic programs and major/minor requirements. She advocates career center workshops in residence halls and discounted housing for GW students to pursue internships or classes during the summer.

As chair of the SA's academic affairs committee, Potter has made the rounds to deans and faculty members. Her leadership would spotlight students' hopes for a boost in GW's academic environment.

Potter is personable and sincere – and hopes for a diverse SA more representative of GW's student body. By opening up the SA to normally uninvolved students, GW as a whole would benefit.

Patrick Macmanus also has experience in the SA. But though he left us convinced he passionately wants the SA presidency, little of his fire extended to serving students. He wants to instill greater student pride in GW, but how? He wants to use professional pollsters to determine what it is students want – an admirable enough idea, but it seems he would need a pollster just to stay in touch with students.

Both Jason Ditzian and Sabina Siddiqui personify those who have been ignored by the SA in the past. Siddiqui has been able to mobilize a segment of the GW population not usually seen at the forefront of SA leadership. Her catch-all platform incorporates the best ideas from a variety of sources. She wants students to approach GW's Faculty Senate to jointly advocate for academic improvement, and she wants to seek outside funding to benefit student groups. Though a singular vision is hard to come by in her campaign – and that might bode disorganized leadership – Siddiqui has proven her leadership in student organizations. She belongs in next year's SA in some capacity.

Ditzian has no leadership plan, although he personifies the frustration and exasperation many students and student groups feel toward the SA. But most students still hope for the best from their student leadership – and an "I'm-doing-it-for-the-cash" platform holds no appeal.

The SA should not be a clique of good ol' boys and girls. Carrie Potter's integrity, experience and genuine care for students and GW make her the best choice for SA president.

Strauss for EVP

The race for executive vice president pits two current Student Association senators against each other. Both Jason Haber and Jesse Strauss are effective legislators. However, while Haber wants to push for tangible benefits like a student discount card and University toll-free phone number, Strauss has an activist's vision for where he wants both GW and the SA to be a year from now – and he's shown he can realize those goals.

Want to know what Strauss has been up to as a student leader? Well, just follow his paper trail of dozens of resolute memos to administrators, polls of student wants and research of how GW services stack up to other schools. Strauss not only is a forceful voice for student opinion – he also has the dedication and smarts to put student concerns into writing. And into the hands of President Trachtenberg, the Board of Trustees and other GW decision-makers.

As GW student activists increasingly push for administrators' attention about tuition, budgeting priorities and meal plan options, Strauss has led the way. He helped create a Tuition Action Director position within the SA to ensure student attention to potential hikes, coordinated a poll of where students want to aim their tuition dollars and was a vocal director of the Dining Services Commission – again, getting student concerns to the administration.

Strauss' leadership at the fore of the Senate – and in helping new senators work for their own constituencies – would be an asset to GW.

Haber should be credited with being one of too few SA leaders who pushed bills because he honestly is concerned for students, not simply because he wanted to see his name grace our front page.

His platform calls for several items students would be able to see and use. However, none of these things are very pressing. First is the "Colonial Card," which would function like a Student Advantage card, and profits would go toward student groups' funds. But if students and local businesses already can use the Student Advantage card, what is the point of another card? The Colonial Card would go much the same way the GW CD has gone – nowhere.

Second is a toll-free telephone number for students to call and check grades. While this would reduce students' long-distance bills, perhaps a better goal would be to address why grades take so long to arrive at students' homes in the first place. Third is the plan to have regular town hall meetings on important SA bills. However, town halls work best when used sparingly and for the most important topics such as tuition and Commencement. Using them repeatedly cheapens their value.

Strauss has a better approach to student concerns – focus on issues most important to the vast majority of students. Instead of burying students under an avalanche of information, he has gathered information, organized it and then presented it to students so they can easily understand its relevance.

Strauss is passionate about ways to help students. By understanding the issues students are most concerned about Jesse Strauss will make a much more effective EVP than those of recent memory.

Opinions

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Letters to the Editor

Freedom of speech

One would think a senior majoring in journalism would understand the notion of freedom of speech. In a February 23 opinion piece ("Conversation about gays and its effects," The GW Hatchet, p.5), the writer reiterated a conversation between two girls in the Marvin Center. He'd overheard one girl state her opinion about same-sex marriages.

The writer states that it "was wrong to have said this in the first place." Regardless of who might have been around at the moment, those two girls had every right to voice their opinions concerning same-sex marriages. Not everyone has the same views on every subject, as we've all learned throughout our lives. The overheard conversation is merely another example of this.

Having read his piece many times over, I've noticed a few comments that seem confusing at best. In my opinion, there is a great difference between George Washington University and the GW community. GW employs an equal-opportunity policy with its members. This University policy does not necessarily have to extend to its students, however.

No law exists here that everyone must get along with each other. It would be nice to think we could all respect and accept each others' differences and get on with our lives – but that occurrence is a long time coming. As I mentioned before, many people have differing views. Just as one would expect someone to respect his or her lifestyle, we also must respect a person's right to voice opinions.

The writer comments about the

hypocrisy of homophobic people in regard to gay marriages. He speaks of marriage and its only alternative: promiscuity. Though this does not solve the legislative issue, options to marriage (other than promiscuity) are open. I cannot understand his logic when he states, "They criticize the gay community for being promiscuous and then they eliminate the alternative."

It would appear that promiscuity is not the only alternative to marriage and vice versa, though his comments might lead one to believe otherwise. This sort of logic only seems to perpetuate the very stereotypes the writer wishes to erase. Monogamy, regardless of the sexual preference of people involved, seems like a good alternative to promiscuity to me.

One girl's comments do not mean that GW doesn't support its lesbian and gay students. In fact, I have seen no evidence that proves this statement. Although issues may separate certain groups of students, it would appear to me that GW supports all of its students – regardless of race, religion or sexual preference.

–Amy Leah Bluestein
junior

Overhearing things

The opinion piece printed in the Feb. 23 edition of The GW Hatchet ("Conversation about gays and its effects," p.5) is another great example of the impending danger political correctness presents with its "your rights end where my feelings begin" attitude.

The writer, in his self-righteous attempt to sound enlightened and open-minded, has stumbled on the same mistake on which so many

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Letters/op-eds may be submitted either at the Hatchet office (2140 G St.) or by e-mail (hatchet@gwu2.circ.gwu.edu).

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Deadlines for submissions are Friday by 5 p.m. for Monday's issue and Tuesday by 5 p.m. for Thursday's issue.

SA micro-managing, responsibility and elected officials' votes

Student Association officials and other student group leaders on campus share similar, general goals. Yet they starkly differ when it comes to the specific purpose of their jobs.

Regardless of the organization, all leaders want to enhance the lives of those they serve. However, while SA officials may recognize the larger needs of the student population (such as quality academics and value for tuition dollar) other student group leaders have a distinct understanding of the specific needs of their individual groups.

The Latinos for Progress celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month serves as a perfect example of this difference. From September to

October, LFP holds cultural shows and folklore sessions, also involving Hispanic food and music. SA officials cannot reasonably understand the full social and financial scope of this month-long celebration as well as I did, for instance, when I was president of LFP. And generally, SA leaders neither profess to understand the micro-managing of groups, nor try to step on the toes of student group leaders.

However, this year some overzealous SA senators attempted to blur the line between SA leadership and other student groups' leadership on campus. They supported a finance bill that mandated exactly how student groups must spend

their money. This would have had a profoundly negative impact on many student groups across campus, especially those which hold unique cultural and diversity programming.

Of \$8,000 allocated to the Black People's Union, these SA senators

senators told each group specifically how to use \$2,000. And of the \$1,500 allocated to Womyn's Issues Now, these senators wanted to mandate that \$1,200 be used on one particular project. If organizations did not use all money allotted them in their "contingency funds" for the SA's earmarked projects, they would lose the remainder of that money.

A smart leader knows where to draw the line. A smart leader knows when to act like an authority on issues and when limited knowledge prohibits that. A smart leader knows when to avoid outraging an entire segment of a population, especially when that leader plans on running for re-election. And when a leader chooses not to act in a smart manner, constituents have every right to hold that leader fully accountable for his/her actions.

Based on this philosophy, it captured my attention when I saw a recent endorsement ad featured in The GW Hatchet and Independence Magazine, sponsored by the College Democrats. In this ad, the CDs strayed from the normal practice of simply listing the names of endorsed SA candidates, and instead listed actual reasons chosen candidates received its endorsement.

The CDs deserve credit for boldly deciding to hold one of the above-mentioned senators accountable for his decision to support the bill containing "contingency funds" for stu-

dent groups.

I hold no personal grudge against any SA senator who supported that finance bill. But I do believe it is acceptable for a candidate to be held accountable for decisions made while serving in elected office. Shining light on a candidate's record is healthy and positive.

If a candidate confronted with his own record during a campaign cries "negative," what does that say about his/her record? Instead, a candidate should take the opportunity to explain his/her decisions, and humbly apologize for them if they were wrong.

When I march across the Ellipse at Commencement this year, I will feel proud that my sacrifice as a student leader paid off, and that I was able to preside over a student group that met the needs of a special segment of the GW community. Other student leaders across campus also should walk proud as a result of their work.

Even SA leaders can stride tall because they have done many positive things for students each year. But it must never be forgotten that each group has its own distinct role, and when one group steps on the toes of another, someone will trip and fall.

-The writer is a senior majoring in political science and is a recipient of the 1998 Martin Luther King Jr. award.

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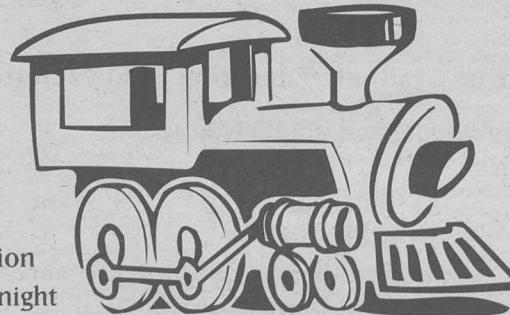
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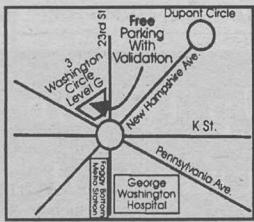
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Next year, SA will tout more international flavor

The United Student Association of GWU.

Have you ever heard such thing in your life? No you have not. Get on your marks, next year you will start to hear this concept.

I came to this school with a hope of studying on an "international campus" at the heart of the nation's capital. Like every other GW student, this was what we were promised.

Well, since my first day, I have realized that we, the students, have to push for things around here. I have been highly involved in the student activities through the Turkish Student Association and also Colonial Inauguration. If the promises are not kept, I think it is up to the student body to go out there and make changes.

How can we start effective changes? First, with "our choice, our voice, our SA." This is the slogan of the SA this year, but this campus deserves and expects much more than that. What we are trying to do is unite international students under the umbrella of the SA. That way we can have the new "concept" that I call "USA."

On this campus, international students and domestic students do not interact enough to take full advantage of the diversity of the University. The SA has the means and potential to improve programs and give students the opportunity to make this campus a fun place to be. Elections will start Tuesday and we will probably find out the results on Thursday. Whoever is elected to the presidency or to the Senate and to all the other positions, must be aware of the willingness of international students to make changes on this campus.

Candidates to the SA are promising lots of nice and different things. These promises will be recorded and inspected by many student groups. We no longer want to have the frustration of facing financial difficulties to organize our events, or to hear promises soon forgotten after the elections.

On February 24, several different multicultural and international student groups sponsored a forum to meet the candidates. For almost two hours, we listened to the many different candidates running for SA positions. When I asked the candidates running for the undergraduate at-large senate seat how many international student groups exist at GW, only one out of five was close to the correct answer (which is 50).

I want to know how can we expect such students to govern from such a crucial position in the SA? When one runs for an important seat in the SA, s/he has to know the subject and issues of our campus very well. If SA leaders have not been aware of the presence and enthusiasm of international stu-

dents, we are ready to show this determination not only by taking our members to the polls – but also by working with the new SA officers next year.

I address all the future officers of the SA – we are not after meaningless politics or campaigns full of talk but without any action. What we are looking for is an honest, practical, efficient organization that cannot ignore the dynamism of international students. Ego should not be the determining factor to govern the SA. We want to see a Senate that can come up with policies and implement them rather than being at each other's throats. Instead of trying to destroy each other's campaign, think in a productive and positive way.

We want a very well-organized, friendly, happy family, which will be the USA of GWU. We are ready to take action and make changes. We have the potential to do it, but we need to communicate and share this in order to make our campus more "international" for ourselves and for future generations.

On behalf of the Turkish Student Association, I wish all the candidates the best of luck.

The writer is vice president of the Turkish Student Association.

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Student Association President

Sabina Siddiqui: The issues are not debatable. What's debatable is who is the most effective leader. The effective leader will be the one who's gotten results, who's hard-working, and who's also remained in touch with students. I will never lose sight of the fact that we are students searching for solutions together.

Patrick Macmanus: There are real problems at GW and we need to find real solutions. We must ensure that issues such as student services, academics and technology are the focus on campus. My goal is to ensure that these problems are addressed and that GW is a better place to call home.

Carrie Potter: Leadership is about reaching out to the average student. In sincerely and earnestly representing your needs, I have and will continue to bring about positive change. My platform – academics, service, community – includes the right issues. My heart is in the right place. Carrie Potter is the right candidate.

Jason Ditzian: I'm just an average student running for the \$11,000 stipend the SA president gets. While trying to pay my tuition, I'm making a statement: The students of this school are sick of SA politics. Stop wasting our money and let the student groups of GW be great!

Student Association Executive Vice President

Jason Haber: I believe that the Student Association is only effective when it has the ability to directly impact GW students. Through programs like the Colonial Card, the Student Organizational Newsletter and a toll-free number for students to check their grades, we will make that impact on GW students.

Jesse Strauss: Tuition, academic value, student services, the meal plan and technology – these are our issues. We need an EVP who will work diligently and advocate forcefully on our behalf. I have been doing that for the past two years. We must take ownership in GW and I will make this a priority.

Program Board Executive Chair

Brian Nathanson: A friend once said, "Life is measured by the cool stories you can tell." While there's more to life than that, it's rewarding to have exciting experiences to share with our families and friends. PB has the potential to create such "events," not just programs. I will unleash that potential.

Marvin Center Governing Board

Scott Levi: Over the next three years, almost \$20 million will be poured into a renovation of the Marvin Center, including a new conference center. As your representative on the MCGB, I will ensure that the Marvin Center is here to serve the students. Let's keep the "student" in the student center.

Undergraduate Senator At Large

Alan Elias: Pride. Protection. Productivity. As the Campus Spirit Director, CSA, and student, I know that these are the important issues to us. We need major entertainers and improved campus security. More importantly, we require a strengthened student voice, and that is what I, Alan S. Elias, can bring to us.

Amina Chaudary: The SA must learn to cater to students' needs and concerns. Aside from all of the promises made during the election season it all boils down to one thing: representation. The students need an active voice in the Senate in order to unify the student community to reclaim what's ours.

Jonathan Nurse: I am running for undergraduate senator at large because I want to be a new voice for students attempting to maximize the GW experience. I offer new ideas and perspectives, those of a GW student that has not made and does not seek a career out of involvement in the

Cat Sadler: Next year I hope to continue to work on campus safety and security issues affecting all students. I want to work on funding for student groups. Most importantly, I want to advocate for the needs of all students at GW and make sure your voice is heard.

Vote David Burt! Vote David Burt! Vote David Burt! Vote David Burt! I promise you won't be disappointed for I will be your voice and represent your concerns in the SA next year! So I ask, Gee Dub are you with me?

Melanie Witte: Technology, a Student Advantage metro card, the arts, housing and graduation on the Ellipse are the issues that I, Melanie Witte, will focus on. As an undergraduate-at-large senator, I will be a doer and not a talker. I have energy, passion and a plan, and I will succeed.

Undergraduate Columbian School Senator

Aaron Chacker: At GW we have an incredible amount of potential. Our national ranking in U.S. News, our meal plan, our course registration system, our Greek reputation, all remain as undeveloped potential. As a CSAS senator, I will work to make our potential no longer a frustrating optimism but a satisfying

Amanda Uliano: If elected my goal is to actually be there for the students. I will make sure that EVERY Columbian School student knows my name, e-mail address and office hours. I can't know every problem, but I can promise to be available to hear them. Thanks!

William Serwetman: Right now, GW is teetering on the divide between first- and second-tier schools and the smallest push either way will probably decide the future value of our degree. If elected, I'll work to make GW the school it can be and force the administration to recognize our needs.

Zach Radford: 1.) Improve the housing lottery; 2.) Assure Commencement stays on the Ellipse; 3.) Take sophomores off the meal plan requirement; 4.) Expand the MC Store; 5.) Put the Metrocard onto Student Advantage; 6.) Return a Sports Bar to the Marvin Center; and 7.) Bring Coke and fast food to GW.

Alexis Rice: Demand more, get more! CSAS students deserve to have quality: advising, services, technology. We should be proud of GW ... not ashamed

of it! We are the customers of GW and its time to speak up and make sure our concerns are addressed.

Jared Hosid: Sick of SA politics? Do you think your student leaders have completely lost perspective of reality? It is time to demand that our SA become a strong, clear and loud voice to the administration insisting that our needs be met. Only then will this truly be our GW.

Lonnie Giambela: Experience and issues are why I'd be a great CSAS senator. My issues: establishing the television station on campus, improving academic advising and bettering communication between the Smith Center and students. I'm a freshman workshop advisor, lead staff at the Smith Center, acting V.P. for Academic Affairs.

Sheandra Clark: I want to become your CSAS senator. If elected, I will strenuously fight to carry out your needs and concerns. During my tenure, I want to work to see that our advising system is more responsible to students, increase our access to the deans and develop our pre-professional programs.

Faisal Matadar: My job as a CSAS senator will be to do for my constituency what they will hopefully do for me: VOTE. Why? Because my constituency is represented as members of student organizations. By advocating for student organizations, through my votes in the Senate, I will be advocating for my constituency.

Joe Bondi: It's time to put the "student" back in Student Association. That's what my campaign is about. It's time for the SA to represent not only the administration's views, but also those of the student. Communication is the key to achieving this goal. Please vote tomorrow, and vote for Joe Bondi!

Sandra Gutierrez: Hi! As a GW freshman and a candidate for a Columbian School senate position, I want GW alumni for student advising, a campus newsletter of student activities, 24-hour computer experts and more escort safety vans for campus safety. Thanks for your support!

Peter Littleton: One of the major topics which is important to my campaign is the spending of the \$23,000+ which we spend each year on tuition. I, as an everyday student, have no idea where my money is going and this is an idea which does not sit very well.

Elliott School Undergraduate Senator

Tim Beresford: If elected, my goal over the next year will be to make the University more responsive to its students. The time has come for the students of GW to be heard by the administration before any more decisions are made. Vote Tim Beresford on March 3 and 4 for ESIA

Philip Meisner: We are indeed one of the best international affairs schools in the country and there is tremendous potential within our faculty, students, facilities and location. The lack of a substantial study abroad program befitting our status and deficiencies in the advising program worry me. As your senator I intend to

Anthony Martinez: Currently, I'm chairman of the International Affairs Society. Through this job, I've learned a lot about Elliott students and I've had the opportunity to bring their concerns to the dean and administration. I'd like to continue to represent Elliott students in the Senate next year.

Caity Leu: Striving for academic value and a sense of community. Why don't we have faculty advising or better peer advising system? Why are the majority of our requirements CSAS classes taken mainly by CSAS students? Why don't we take advantage of our alumni network? Demand answers! Demand action! Vote Caity Leu!

Matt McGrath: I'm betting that everyone else is complaining about advising and the meal plan, so, while I do have ideas on these issues, I'll spare you – for now. My election means more than rhetoric; it means proactive leadership through consistency and communication. I will listen as much as I talk.

Patricia McGaa: I want to make the lives of my fellow Elliott classmates better: academically, socially and for our futures. As a senator, I would

establish events which would benefit us: enhancing the Embassy Row Walk, establish scholarships, international fairs, strengthen alumnae links, showcase Study Abroad and expand the test drive.

School of Engineering Senator

Grant Franklin Guthrie: Visibility – As SEAS Senator, I will work hard to make the students and projects of SEAS become more prominent on campus. Experience – My experiences as vice president of the Engineers' Council and as co-chair of the Engineering Career Fair uniquely qualify me to get the job done for SEAS students.

Shelley Marella Mountjoy: SEAS may be small but we still have a voice. Let me represent you and I will fight for better labs, longer hours in Tompkins, more technical assistants and curriculum revisions. Your needs, your dreams and your ideas are my goals. Vote March 3 and 4.

School of Business Senator

Megan Huszagh: She is running for SBPM senate because she wants to bring change to GW. By taking action, she will fight to have student demands met. Her leadership skills and dedication prove her to be a woman of integrity and a hard worker. You will not be disappointed, vote Megan Huszagh.

Derek Gross: I am running for a seat on the SBPM Senate because I believe that the Student Association should be all about representation. I will make myself available to all students of the Business School so that I may represent their best interests. Vote Derek P. Gross – I mean business.

Jonathan Rosen: I am running for the SBPM-U senate seat because I want to see the business school well represented in the Senate next year. This past year, legislation and programming specific to SBPM has been non-existent. I WILL change that! Vote Jonathan Rosen for SBPM-U senator!

All candidates were invited to submit a 50-word statement. The above statements are representative of those who took advantage of the opportunity.

DO THIS!

MONDAY, MARCH 2

Study Abroad General Info Session, 4:30pm, Stuart 104, FREE. Info? Alayne @ 994-1649.

Danny Siegel: International Man of Mitzvah, 7pm, GW Hillel, FREE. Poet, author, & philanthropist talks about community service events. Info? Ari @ 994-9531.

Free U.S. Political Prisoners! 8pm, MC 402, FREE. Video documentary about U.S. political prisoners & government's counter-intelligence programs. Info? Robyn @ 994-7284.

TUESDAY, MARCH 3
Elections '98, 9am-9pm, Thurston Hall of Gov/Mon, MC, Ross, Nat'l Law Ctr., Fng, FREE. Info? JEC @ 994-5953.

Study Abroad Second Step Advising Session, 2:30pm, Stuart 104, FREE. Info? Alayne @ 994-1649.

Agricultural Development in Honduras, 6-7:30pm, Fng 507, FREE. M.A. candidate, Elizabeth Fraser, shares experiences & research about her summer in Honduras. Info? Sarah or Karin @ 994-6815.

IAS General Membership Meeting & Elections, 8pm, Stuart Commons, FREE. Elections held, free food, members only. Info? IAS:ias@gwus2.circ.gwu.edu.

Mad March Mix-Off, 9-11pm, MC Ballroom, FREE. Alcohol-free drink competition, offering prizes & drink samples. Info? Dana @ 994-6688.

Student Life Committee Mtg, 9:30pm, MC 407, FREE. Mtg to address issues concerning GW student life. Info? Jesse @ 994-7100.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4
Elections '98, 9am-9pm, Thurston Hall of Gov/Mon, MC, Ross, Nat'l Law Ctr., Fng, FREE. Last day to vote. Info? JEC @ 994-5953.

Score Higher on Tests II, 4:10-5:30pm, 2033 K St, Suite 330, FREE. Learn effective strategies for handling multiple choice, true-false, & other types of test questions. Info? GW Counseling Center @ 994-5300.

Alpha Phi Omega Info Session, 7-8:30pm, Adams, FREE. Info? Jenn @ 994-2248.

"Your Blues Ain't Like Mine" Zora Neale Hurston 1998, 7:20pm, Riverside Cafe, FREE. Poetry, vibes & jazz; open mic. Info? Zeta Phi Beta @ 676-4992.

Elections Results Party, 10pm-2am, J St, FREE. Info? JEC @ 994-5953.

THURSDAY, MARCH 5
Study Abroad General Info Session, 11am, Stuart 104, FREE. Info? Alayne @ 994-1649.

Spanish Film: La Gran Fiesta, 4-6pm, AC 210, FREE. Info? Prof Captain @ 994-7078.

Financing Medical School, 4pm, MC 404, FREE. For any student considering career in medicine. Info? Baran @ 703-593-4357.

Alpha Phi Omega Info Session, 7:30-9pm, Riverside Cafe, FREE. Info? Jenn @ 994-2248.

What is Black Sexuality? 8pm, MC 413, FREE. Discussing sexuality pertaining to men, women & different ethnic groups. Info? Jennifer @ 994-7321.

FRIDAY, MARCH 6
Study Abroad Second Step Advising Session, 11:30am, Stuart 104, FREE. Info? Alayne @ 994-1649.

Study Abroad General Info Session, 2pm, Stuart 104, FREE. Info? Alayne @ 994-1649.

GW Madrid Study Center Info Session, 2pm, Stuart 103, FREE. Info? Alayne @ 994-1649.

CPR Course, 2-6pm, Phillips 109, \$10 covers text & course completion card. Basic heart saver CPR course offered in celebration of Nat'l Collegiate Health & Wellness Week. Info? Scooter @ 994-8369.

Diplomacy Night! 7:30pm, MC 404, FREE. Info? IAS: ias@gwus2.circ.gwu.edu.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7
GW Rugby's First Annual Brawl on the Mall, 11am-5pm, Gravelly's Point, FREE. Rugby tournament & all-day festivities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
JEC Office Hours, 9am-5pm, M-F, MC 433, FREE. Info? JEC @ 994-5953.

Call for Nominations-The 1998 GW Award. Joint Committee of Faculty & Students seeks nominations for 22nd Annual GW Award. It provides special recognition to members of GW community. Forms at lobby or 1st floor info desks from AC, Rice, & MC. Deadline: 5pm, March 6. Info? Dean of Students Office @ 994-6710.

14th Annual Steiner Scholarship Benefit Concert, March 9, 7:30pm, MC Thtr, \$2 Students, \$10 Gen Adm, \$6 Faculty, Staff, Alumni. Music faculty performs. Info? Jessica @ 994-6245.

Stress Management Workshop, March 10, 7:30-8:30pm, Strong Piano Lounge, FREE. Jacci Reynolds will do hour long workshop on stress management in conjunction w/ Nat'l Collegiate Health & Wellness Week. Info? Liz @ 994-6555.

Intramural Volleyball League, begins March 23. Six on six volleyball throughout the month of April. Deadline: March 2 @ 7pm. Info? Aubre @ 994-6251.

Intramural "World Cup" Soccer Tournament, begins March 27. Two-day, outdoor, 7 on 7 soccer tournament. Deadline: March 9 @ 7pm.

Intramural Ping Pong Tournament, March 27, \$3 entry fee. Deadline: March 24 @ 7pm. Info? Aubre @ 994-6251.

Intramural Billiards Tournament, March 27, \$5 entry fee. Deadline: March 24 @ 7pm. Info? Aubre @ 994-6251.

Metro Area Leadership Consortium, April 4, 9am-5pm, U of Md. College Park, \$15 registration fee. 1-day conference to bring students together to learn about leadership & exchange ideas. Registration forms available in S.H.C. Trans. provided. Info? Liz @ 995-6555.

Excellence In Student Life, April 16. Call for nominations. Packets available in MC 427, MC 204, Fulbright 104, & Rice Lobby. Return to MC 427 by March 25. Info? Carmen @ 994-6555.

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DO THIS! is a calendar of GW-only events which will appear in each Monday issue of the GW Hatchet. It is a free service provided by the office of Student & Academic Support Services Communication (SASSComm) for the GW community. To advertise your event, service, or program, please pick up & return a completed submission form to one of the following locations: SASSComm-- Rice 102, the Student Activities Center-- Marvin Center 427, or the Student Organization Resource Center-- Marvin Center 433D. The deadline for submission is Wednesday preceding publication of the Monday issue. For further information, contact SASSComm at 994-3840.

Negative campaigning clouds presidential race

by Matt Berger
Asst. News Editor

With less than a week before student elections, anonymous groups circulated negative e-mail and fliers concerning the race for Student Association president.

An e-mail was sent from a Hotmail e-mail account to selected students from an organization calling itself "Students Against Patrick Macmanus." The e-mail made defamatory remarks against Macmanus, an SA presidential candidate.

"We, Students Against Patrick Macmanus, urge you to VOTE AGAINST this pompous, arrogant, elitist 'insider,'" the e-mail read.

"I think that it's a sad statement of the lengths people would go to win a student body election," Macmanus said. He said he believes workers from another presidential campaign were responsible.

"When he showed it to me, I felt horrible

for him," said Sabina Siddiqui, a presidential candidate. She said she is certain no member of her campaign is responsible for the e-mail, and she said voters will not be turned off by it.

"You have to realize how political this school is," Siddiqui said. "I'm not sure whether people will take it seriously."

Terry Goddard, chair of the Joint Elections Committee said he can do nothing about the e-mail unless it came from a presidential campaign.

"I think it's kind of juvenile," Goddard said. "If an individual really doesn't want a candidate elected, that person should support another or run themselves."

He said he is investigating the incident, but would not comment on specifics. He said so far the e-mail has not been linked to any campaign.

"I think it's ridiculous," said Carrie Potter, a presidential candidate. "It blows my mind how certain things come out and that some-

one would actually fabricate an e-mail like this."

Potter has indirectly been the target of similar attacks, after an organization named Bad Election ErroRs criticized the way endorsements were held by Potter supporters.

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Both Macmanus and Potter said they did not want the campaign to come down to this.

"That is not the way I wanted my campaign to be run and I can't imagine someone else wanting their campaign to be run that way," Macmanus said.

"I wish we could focus on the positive aspects of the campaign and the candidates," Potter said.

Goddard said he is concerned negative campaigning may have an impact on voter turnout.

"I think actions such as these, if they come to light and are picked up by the general populous, will certainly go to making more students disinterested in the system," Goddard said.

Posters pervade campus on eve of SA elections

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vice president candidate Jason Haber has been involved with SA campaigning for the past three years. He said he remembered holding a spot for former SA President Damian McKenna his freshman year.

"Now, I'm waiting to hang up my own posters," he said.

Campaign helpers who stood against walls were motivated not just by politics or platforms, but by friendship too. Sophomore Kate Novinskie said she offered to help Carrie Potter's campaign because a friend had asked for help.

Others said they were interested in getting involved in the GW community. Sophomore Lori Lewis said she wanted to get more involved on campus, and campaigning was her niche.

The true intensity of this year's campaign was demonstrated by the number of students who slept outside J Street, Haber said.

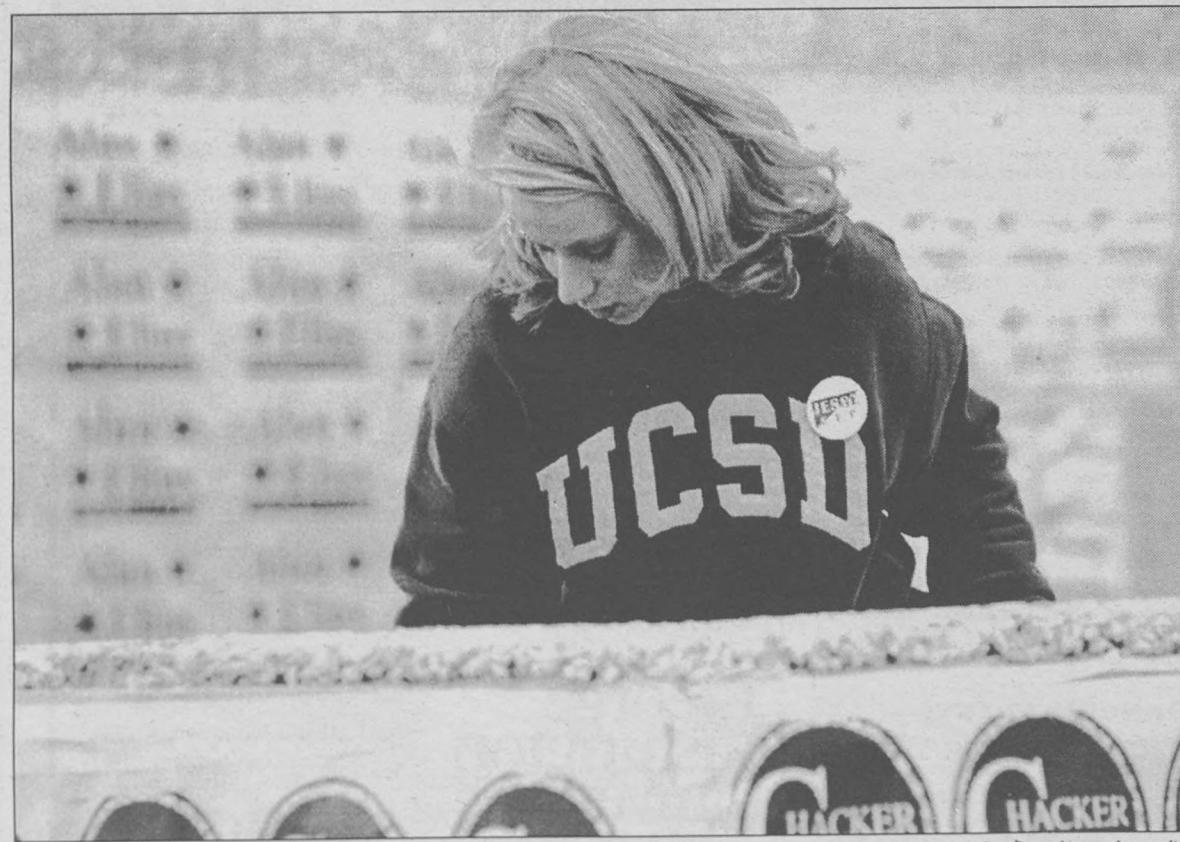
Others did not see the benefits to waiting for prime poster positions.

"This is just campus politics," said Jared Hossid, candidate for CSAS senate. "People need to put it in perspective."



Josh Prezant/Hatchet photographer

Students began posting the Marvin Center Friday after the 3:30 p.m. starting point.



Freshman Lauren Mazer posters Funger Hall Friday afternoon.

Jay Crystal/asst. photo editor

Election News

Radford banned from residence halls

Zach Radford, a candidate for a Columbian School of Arts and Sciences senate seat, was banned from campaigning in all residence halls Thursday after twice violating a rule, according to Joint Elections Committee Chair Terry Goddard.

Goddard said Radford received a ten-point fine for a poster placed on the walls of Thurston Hall, and a 15-point fine for posters placed on community bulletin boards of Mitchell Hall. According to JEC rules, candidates violating residence hall posterizing rules can be banned from the hall where the violation occurs on first offense, and all residence halls on second offense.

Radford said he would appeal the fines based on procedural

violations and because of the ambiguity of the rules. He said one of his friends made the mistake of placing posters on the bulletin board.

"Many people have violated this rule, and I'm the only one who's been kicked out of all residence halls," Radford said.

He said being banned from residence halls will have no effect on his campaign. Radford is one of eleven candidates vying for four CSAS seats.

In other election news, 16 cases will be heard in an emergency session of the JEC Monday evening. The cases will likely be the final ones heard before the election, and will include weekend fines for illegal posterizing.

-Matt Berger

Correction

The story "Few voters turn out for forum" (The GW Hatchet, Thursday, Feb. 26, p.1) should have said SA presidential candidate Jason Ditzian proposed GW students leave their mark on the University through their student groups, not the Student Association.

Medical Center to mingle tradition and science

by Lee Rumbarger
Managing Editor

GW's new Center for Integrative Medicine will fuse contemporary science with traditional healing when it opens its doors April 1.

"Twenty-first century medicine is all about re-assessment – and a new appreciation of what tradition has to offer," said Dr. John Pan, the center's director.

Stepping back to innovate, reviving ancient practices to achieve a breakthrough, the center will explore treatments like massage, acupuncture and Chinese traditional medicine techniques.

Patients will receive treatment ideas from a team of four medical doctors and four or five "alternative" medicine practitioners.

Pan said the medical community must recognize surging patient interest in traditional healing and

Center for Integrative Medicine slated for April 1 opening

"bring these practices into the mainstream to decide if they should be part of treating patients."

Lack of scientific evidence supporting the efficacy of alternative practices has provided doctors an "excuse" to ignore them, Pan explained. So the center meticulously will document patient response to traditional treatments.

The center will open with five inaugural programs – back and spine care; cancer patient support; general wellness; gynecology and homeopathic pediatrics, which will concentrate on childhood asthma and allergies.

"We have to prove that we're adding value to patient care," Pan said. "To do the research, that's the challenge."

The center, to be housed at 2150

Pennsylvania Ave., is a GW Medical Center initiative – and is guided by an executive steering committee that pulls members from GW's medical school, health care sciences department and Ambulatory Care Center physicians.

Education will be a major thrust of the center, Pan said. Medical students will have the opportunity for research work and integrative training, and students and doctors alike will be at the heart of conferences and meetings Pan said he plans to host at GW.

Dr. Scott Schroth, assistant dean of the medical school and member of the center's steering committee, said plans are underway to create a two- to four-week elective program for medical students.

"It's relevant for medical stu-

dents to get a better idea of the field, and clearly there is a push to hold (alternative) practitioners to the same standards of proof as other medical practitioners," Schroth said.

Center patients will complete extensive medical history forms and meet with a medical doctor on their first visit, Pan said.

"We may create a treatment plan that does not include anything alternative," Pan said. "For example, if a patient has a tumor in the spine, we'll send him to a neurosurgeon."

Those who enter into integrative treatment will discover that "they need to be more pro-active as patients. Conventional medicine gives way to doctors writing prescriptions – traditional medicine may demand a lifestyle change," said Rachel Mazzotta, the center's

administrative fellow.

Though the center now receives its financial backing from the GW Medical Center, Mazzotta said it will apply for research grants from the National Institutes of Health and pursue other avenues of funding.

"There's more to the doctor-patient relationship than just the chart," said first-year medical school class president Nehal Mehta.

Mehta said understanding the patient as a person makes for stronger care. GW doctors are trained to inquire about a patient's spiritual beliefs, he said.

And alternative medicine is a natural partner to increased emphasis on the patient, Mehta added.

"I've been advised that as a new doctor, if you want to be on the edge of things, do a third-year rotation through alternative medicine," Mehta said.

Hospital will focus on women's health

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another \$16 million.

The project will generate no debt, Schaengold told The Washington Post last week.

Renovating the existing facility was a possibility when Universal came on board last spring, but Trachtenberg said building a new hospital proved to be a more financially sound decision.

"It was going to cost pretty near \$80 or \$90 million to give the old hospital a facelift, and then all you'd have is an old hospital with a facelift," Trachtenberg said. "But we realized we could spend \$96 or \$100 million on a new hospital and we'd have a new hospital."

Trachtenberg said it remains unclear what will happen to the current hospital once the new facility opens its doors in January 2001.

"It's not clear if we'll renovate the old facility, tear it down and rebuild it, use it for commercial purposes, use it for academic purposes. I simply don't know," Trachtenberg said.

The new facility will be licensed for 400 beds, down from about 500 in the current facility. The decrease in beds is in line with a trend across the District – the number of acute-care beds in the city fell from about 4,000 in 1994 to 3,100 in 1997, D.C. Hospital Association Senior Vice President Joan Lewis said.

But the District's hospitals have a high vacancy rate – meaning many beds in the city's hospitals stand empty – and GW officials said a state-of-the-art facility could draw patients who previously have gone to the suburbs for health care.

Nearly half of GW Hospital's patients came from outside the city in 1997, according to figures from the medical center's office of public relations.

"With the substantial vacancy rate in the District, we need this kind of facility," UHS CEO Alan B. Miller said. "It will help us keep a lot of patients who have gone elsewhere because of a lack of these kind of facilities in the city."

GW and Universal officials said the new hospital will continue the three-fold mission of education, research and quality care, but they emphasized the modern facility will include many new features that will make it stand out among District hospitals.

In the existing facility, 80 percent of patient rooms accommodate more than one patient, but all patient rooms

in the new building will be private, and each will have a private bathroom with a shower.

"Private rooms mean we can provide a universal treatment for all patients," said Donald Pyskacek, Universal's assistant vice president of design, construction and facilities.

An entire floor of the facility will be dedicated to a comprehensive women's health center – an area of care that has been a priority at many of Universal's 70 health care facilities nationwide.

Included in the women's center will be private rooms where mothers can stay during all phases of childbirth – labor, delivery, recovery and postpartum. The rooms – called "LDRP rooms" by hospital insiders – also will be large enough to accommodate family members during the birthing process.

The focus on women's health comes after GW and UHS unsuccessfully proposed to purchase the financially struggling Columbia Hospital for Women, hoping to incorporate the nearby hospital's neonatal and maternity services into GW's facilities.

But Columbia's board of directors unanimously rejected the partnership offer.

UHS and GW officials said at the time, however, that plans were in the works to further develop women's health services.

"In the end, there will be a new facility for women's health at GW," UHS Vice President for Development Richard C. Wright told The GW Hatchet in October.

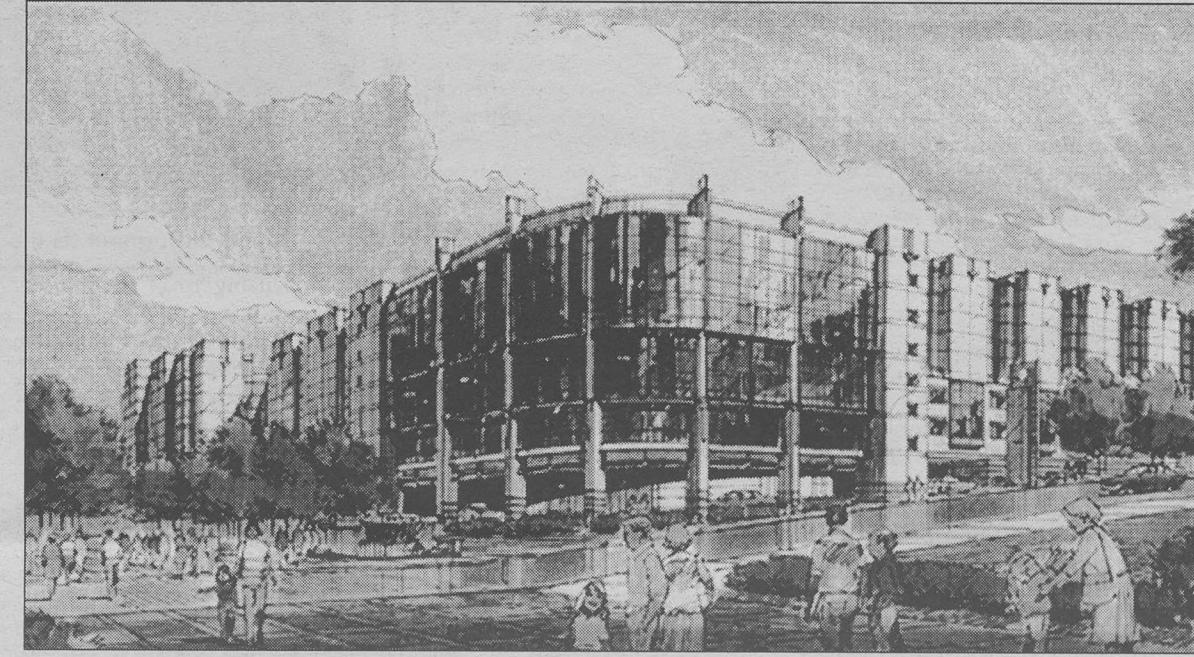
Schaengold insisted the new hospital will not be only "a maternity facility," but the concentration on women's health represents another prong in the medical center's plan to attract patients who might previously have gone elsewhere for care.

The new hospital will feature computerized records, a system that will allow physicians to access patient charts from terminals throughout the building.

Michael Servais, senior vice president at Universal, said expanded emergency facilities will be another advantage to the new building, a remark that produced cheers from the physicians and nurses gathered for the announcement.

GW's emergency department notched almost 43,000 visits in 1997, and the existing facilities often are cramped and overcrowded.

GW officials said the new hospital



GW and UHS officials hope new, state-of-the-art hospital will attract patients who have retreated to the suburbs.

tal will fill the same niche as the existing facility – to treat patients from U.S. presidents and foreign heads of state to the city's lower-income residents and homeless population.

To ensure regulatory approval from the District for its partnership with Universal, GW pledged last spring to maintain for five years the same level of charity care it had averaged in its last two years as a not-for-profit health care provider.

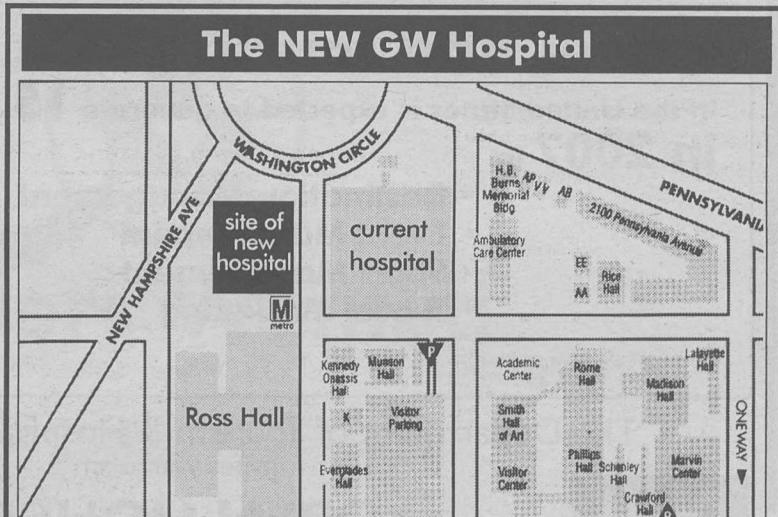
Lewis said District hospitals face high levels of uncompensated care at a time when 20 percent of the city's population are uninsured. She said the problem will escalate as the cost of health care shoots up because the number of insured patients decreases as costs rise.

"It's important for hospitals to go back and look at why they went into the business," Lewis said. "To be successful, you have to have a clear perspective of who your community is."

Trachtenberg said the prospect of a new hospital is the next step in GW Hospital's century-and-a-half-old commitment to health care in the District.

In 1844, physicians treated patients at the Washington Infirmary, a former poorhouse and jail that became the first general hospital in the nation's capital.

Fifty years later, the Columbian University Hospital opened in a former prep school at 13th and H streets. The existing Foggy Bottom facility was dedicated in 1948, the largest private building in the District when it was built.



- Projected groundbreaking:** Late 1998, pending city approval

- Projected completion:** January 2001

- Estimated cost:** \$96 million

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Source: GW Medical Center Office of Public Relations

imPRESSions

Mono's debut album disappoints new fans

by Alison Gazan

Asst. Arts Editor

Its name means one – and the band Mono creates one unique sound. It has one album. It has one hit.

And it has one problem: its debut album review album, *Formica Blues* (Mercury Records) demonstrates Mono's style, but that's all it does.

The first track, "Life in Mono," is the album's highlight. The song fea-

tured on the *Great Expectations* soundtrack, enthralls the listener with passionate and alluring music. Lead singer Siobhan DeMare, flaunts her sensuality and seems to become one with the piece.

But on *Formica Blues*, "Life in Mono" is just another one of Mono's songs – rather than the track that whiskers listeners into a dream world as it does on the soundtrack.

The second track, "Silicone," has a similar sound to "Life in Mono." DeMare's breathy voice, combined with the keyboards, creates an eerie sound. The song conjures images of haunted mansions in dark woods with bats flapping wings overhead. But the song does not contain enough individuality to be truly memorable.

At points, Mono tries to explore a new sound and break the monotony of the album, but fails miserably. The listener is compelled to skip ahead to the next song –



Despite the hit "Life in Mono" on the *Great Expectations* soundtrack, Mono fails to provide the same alluring sound throughout its album, *Formica Blues*.

which inevitably rings of Mono's typical sound.

"High Life," clearly the worst track of the album, uses an upbeat rhythm reminiscent of '60s bee-bop. DeMare sounds more like Diana Ross, as she loses the deep, breathy sounds that make her voice distinct.

Mono's attempt at diversity works better in "Slimcea Girl," but it still doesn't succeed. The keyboard offers a softer, less technical sound than in other songs, which is a pleasant switch. However, in the choruses, DeMare is joined by overpowering background vocals. These

vocals do not mesh well with lead vocals and sound misplaced.

Mono tries to create a diverse and entertaining album. But, rather than changing the rhythms of the music, adding new instruments and creating songs with varying meaning, Mono tries to create an entirely different sound for the band.

The songs in which the unique style of Mono shines all sound the same, but these songs are the only ones the listener will enjoy. The listener will like half of the songs, but will be unable to differentiate between the tracks. The other songs

are simply disappointing.

The album also has over-long intervals between songs. Pauses punctuate each song ending, but then another 10-second silence ensues before the next song, causing the album to drag.

Although Mono doesn't succeed with its first album, *Formica Blues* shows the band has potential. The members of Mono only have been together since 1996. If Mono continues to add depth, it could succeed. For now, Mono will have to be content with the success of "Life in Mono."



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Homey setting gives Phillips Collection style

by Heather Hare

Arts Editor

Duncan Phillips began the Phillips Collection in 1918 seeking to create an intimate and comfortable environment in which to view art. Phillips opened it in the family home, where he continued to reside until 1930 – when the gallery became too big to house him as well as the extensive art collection.

Signs of the homey atmosphere persist even with the addition of another building and 1,900 works of art, totaling 2,500. Cushioned arm chairs and fainting couches serve art lovers instead of the sterile wooden benches most museums provide.

Most works in the Collection are relatively modern, which is fitting, considering the Phillips Collection was the first museum of modern art in the United States.

Winding staircases connect the three levels, while short indoor walkways connect the two buildings. Soft lighting and creaking floors keep the environment intimate. Though both detract a bit from

the experience of the art, they make for a very personal look at it.

Another problem with the gallery is the placement of the works. Though some of the artists are grouped together by name and period, most are spread throughout the collection. Picassos hide in corners and some of Georgia O'Keeffe's paintings are scattered among photographic art.

Even though the Phillips Collection is located just off Dupont Circle – away from the Mall with its many galleries – it deserves the extra paces for a couple of hours' perusal. The range of art is extensive, from before the impressionists to the last decade.

Because the Collection was a home before it became the substantial gallery it is today, it offers a unique experience. Not many other galleries can boast they were home to the collector while open to the public.

The Phillips Collection is located at 1600 21st St. N.W. The hours are Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sun. 12 p.m. to 7 p.m. Admission for the weekend is \$6.50 for adults and \$3.25 for students and seniors. Suggested contribution for the weekdays is the same.

Four players, four years – senior hoopsters say goodbye

by Dustin Gouker
Sports Editor

Senior guard Andrei Krivonos stepped to the line for two free throws with :20.7 seconds left on the clock. His team trailed 67-65 in the GW men's basketball game with St. Bonaventure at the Smith Center Saturday.

Krivonos stepped up and calmly hit the bottom of the net with both shots to tie the Senior Day game, which the Colonials won 71-67. He did exactly what GW head coach Mike Jarvis has learned to expect from his seniors over the years – he made Coach Jarvis proud.

"What he did at the end of the game is typical of what he has done his entire career," Jarvis said. "He proves that there's more to this game than scoring baskets. I have never appreciated a player more than Andrei Krivonos. He's what makes coaching worthwhile."

A man of few words like many of his teammates, Krivonos took the praise from Jarvis quietly, modestly.

Asked for a reaction to hitting the two free throws that allowed GW to take the game, Krivonos smiled.

"It felt great and we won," he said.

The seniors on this year's team, with the exception of center Alexander Koul, have been used sparingly during the season. Krivonos and guards Rasheed Hazzard and Darin Green have seen their minutes fluctuate – and often altogether disappear in the 1997-'98 campaign. But according to Jarvis, each has his role and an indispensable place on the team.

"Any time you play your last regular season home game, there is always a little bit of sadness," Jarvis said Saturday. "You're going to have players who are stars, and some who may have played a lot of minutes, and some who may not have played any minutes at all, but they all contributed in different ways."

Krivonos is heralded as one of the



Jay Crystal/asst. photo editor

Jaleesa Hazzard and former UCLA player Walt Hazzard were reunited with their son, senior Colonial Rasheed Hazzard, at Saturday's game.

best one-on-one defenders in the Atlantic 10 Conference and often draws the assignment of guarding the best offensive player on the opposing team. He usually does not look for his own shot, but does a lot of the dirty work and hustling that can go unseen and unappreciated by the average fan.

Darin Green came into the season with high hopes. After a junior year dragged down by off-season surgery, he began his senior year in the Colonials' starting lineup. But Green's playing time dwindled.

Green, with his great jumping

prowess, is one of the players on GW's squad capable of electrifying the crowd with a high-flying dunk. Even when he is not on the floor, though, the co-captain of this year's team is a valuable leader off the court.

Rasheed Hazzard, a back-up point guard and the least-used of the four GW seniors, is perhaps the player on the team who has learned and matured the most during his four years at GW.

Hazzard, the son of former UCLA

great Walt Hazzard, journeyed across the country from Los Angeles, Calif. to Washington, D.C. to attend GW and play basketball. He was a crowd favorite his freshman season, although he saw very limited time, usually at the end of the game.

The honeymoon was over by his sophomore year. Hazzard's father suffered a nearly-fatal stroke; he lost much of his speech and will spend the rest of his life in a wheelchair.

The younger Hazzard, according to his mother Jaleesa, has been



Claire Duggan/senior photo editor

Senior guard Andrei Krivonos is considered one of the best defensive players in the A-10. Krivonos has only played three years, but his eligibility is up.

strengthened by the strain of his father's illness and has benefited from his time at GW, even if his college basketball career did not flourish as he and his family perhaps hoped.

"He's done well and he's really gotten it together, and it's been hard for him to be far away from home," Rasheed's mother said. "It's been very good for him."

Saturday's game was an especially meaningful one for Hazzard; it was the first college game his father was able to attend in person. He played just three minutes of the game, but said afterwards that despite his disappointment, he was glad his father was able to watch from the bleachers.

"It means the world to me to have him still able to interact with me and other people," Hazzard said. "It means more to me than any game or any paycheck I'll ever get."

After Hazzard and Green witnessed their final Colonial home game, both went to the student section to shake hands with some of the fans, who have supported them over the years.

"I love the fans, and their energy, and they have always been really positive," Hazzard said. "They make me feel good inside. It made me feel good just to go and say thank you for four years of good times. Somebody has to let them know we appreciate them."

While the fans are unquestionably proud of GW's four seniors, probably nobody is more proud than their biggest fan – Coach Jarvis. Jarvis has taken this group of seniors to two NCAA Tournaments and two National Invitational Tournaments.

"I hope they are half as proud as I am of what they helped to establish and what they've helped to accomplish," Jarvis said. "This particular group of seniors will have gone to four consecutive postseason events, and that's one hell of an accomplishment."

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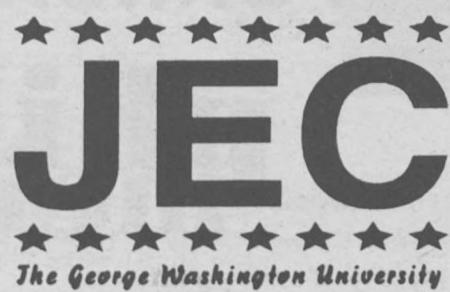
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Scholars, activists to look for a meeting of the minds

by Megan Stack
Features Editor

Activists and scholars can be uncomfortable bedfellows, but GW will seat the two in the same parlor at its "Activism and the Academy: Opening Dialogues" conference March 27-28.

"There is a perception that academic language complicates and distracts from the actual project," conference coordinator Rachel Riedner said. "But on the other hand, there is a perception that activists don't theorize adequately. I don't think that right now there exists a strong relationship between the two."

Riedner, a graduate student in the human sciences program, began planning the conference more than a year ago with the help of colleagues. The English, American studies and anthropology departments, along with the human sciences and women's studies programs, collaborated for the fourth consecutive year to organize the event.

The multidisciplinary conference will explore the shapes taken by issues on both sides of university walls. Students from all backgrounds are encouraged to attend the weekend of panel discussions, speeches and paper presentations. Feminism and labor are two of the main themes.

"I find that, particularly in those fields, there are people with a foot in each world," Riedner said.

The voice of keynote speaker Bruce Robbins, Rutgers professor of English and literature, already is

familiar in discussions of academic labor. Ailbhe Smith, a women's studies professor from the University of Dublin, will speak Friday. Representatives from local feminist groups also will attend.

"There is a huge difference between feminists and scholars," Riedner explained. "It is a difference between being on the street and sitting in an office doing schoolwork."

Organizers want both sides of the discussion to gain from the encounter, Riedner said.

"You have to theorize what you are doing," she explained. "It is an act and a theory."

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Media executives visit Kalb Report

by Seth Weinert

Hatchet Staff Writer

Four executives from major newspapers and television networks discussed decision making in the media on the Kalb Report Friday night as part of a GW-sponsored forum on ethics in journalism at the National Press Club.

Moderator Marvin Kalb and his guests explored the pervasive force the media has become in past decades – and questioned journalists' standards.

"There are some bad apples out there and some recklessness that hurts us all," said Eason Jordan, president of International Networks and Global Newsgathering for CNN.

"There is just more journalism, and not necessarily bad journalists," said David Mazzarella, editor of USA Today.

Kalb said television networks and newspapers are pressured to be relentless in their pursuits. He cited media competition and corporate elbowing for high ratings and profits.

"Remember that media is a business – there's no doubt about it," Mazzarella said.

Jordan said the fact CNN is owned by Time Warner does not effect how it delivers news.

The panel said television journalism is forced to compete with entertainment television, and as a result, must try to present news in a popular manner while maintaining high journalistic standards.

Conversation turned to the media's role in the lives of public officials, specifically in the case of Monica Lewinsky, with Kalb comparing the recent presidential con-

troversy to the Watergate scandal.

Leonard Downie Jr., executive editor of The Washington Post, said Watergate was an investigation of the president, while the Lewinsky situation is a war between the president and independent counsel Kenneth Starr.

"This is not a story that the media invented," Mazzarella said.

The panel also discussed the Internet's expanding role in journalism. With the increased presence of the Internet in homes, classrooms and businesses, people have a new, faster way to receive news and information.

Panelists warned that the drive to report news so quickly often results in a lack of accuracy and professionalism.

"The Web is here to stay," said Andrew Heyward, president of CBS News. "The Internet is going to be a major news provider for many generations to come."

One audience member said she canceled her subscription to the Washington Post because she read the paper online for free.

The final Kalb Report in this series is scheduled for next month and will feature a one-on-one conversation between Kalb and former CBS News anchorman Walter Cronkite.

Kalb has spent more than 30 years in journalism as chief diplomatic correspondent for CBS News and as moderator of "Meet The Press."

Currently, he directs the Joan Shorenstein Center on Press, Politics, and Public Policy at Harvard University.

He established "The Kalb Report" as a visiting professor at GW during 1994-'95.



Andrew Heyward (c), president of CBS News, speaks during the Kalb Report Friday as David Mazzarella (l) and Marvin Kalb watch. Josh Prezant/Hatchet photographer

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Clinton offers loan discount to students

(U-WIRE) ANN ARBOR, Mich. — An offer made Wednesday by President Clinton to reduce interest rates on student loans is good news to university students across the nation.

The reduction Clinton is touting will cut the interest rate on student loans from 7.8 to 7 percent, potentially saving each private university or college student who takes out a loan \$850 a year.

"I am pleased to announce that we are proposing improvements in the student loan program that will lower the cost of college for millions of students and their families while preserving their access to the loans they need," Vice President Al Gore announced at a press conference Wednesday.

Although the reductions had been scheduled to go into effect July 1, many lenders are worried about the loss in profits that would result from an interest rate reduction, said Thomas Butts, University of Michigan associate vice president for government relations.

"The problem is the bankers and lenders in the guaranteed (loan) programs don't like losing money," Butts said. "They want our students to pay more to sub-

sidize their profits through the loan industry."

Butts said two types of student loans exist — guaranteed and direct. Lenders fund the guaranteed loan program, while the federal government puts up the money for the direct loans. Since the lenders have been so successful, they have started to corner the market on student loans, Butts said.

"They've been making so much money that they've been offering discounts to discourage universities from participating in direct loans," Butts said. "The bankers will still make a modest profit. Our problem is that they're trying to drag our students into the problem, and we have been objecting vigorously to that."

Now that Clinton and the Department of the Treasury have ironed out many of the objections the lenders have expressed, university students will come out as the beneficiaries, said Jackie Parker, an education policy advisor to Sen. Carl Levin (D-Mich.).

"When you take a student attending a four-year public college saving \$650 and a private school student saving \$850, it has a very positive impact," Parker said.

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TUITION

Next year's tuition increase will be the lowest in a decade, thanks to increased activism by student leaders. Jesse Strauss, a founding member of Students Against Yearly Increases in Tuition (SAYIT), forced this year's SA to take a real stand against tuition. He also surveyed hundreds of students to ensure that the University budget reflected our priorities (ie. better technology & GWorld). Jesse will continue this activism as EVP.

NO MORE SA ELITISM

Students were outraged this year when Sen. Patrick Macmanus sponsored a bill to give the SA senate chair the power to throw ordinary students out of public SA meetings, and even call upon UPD force to do so (Senate Bill F97-4). Likewise, student organization leaders were furious when Macmanus supported a finance bill telling them exactly how to spend their money, dollar-for-dollar (S97-1). Senators Carrie Potter and Jesse Strauss fought against and defeated these bills, and will put an end to this type of SA arrogance and elitism in the future.

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PB honors dynamic women

by Monique L. Harding
News Editor

The Program Board honored outstanding women serving the GW community at its first Women's History Month Charity Auction Dinner in the Marvin Center Ballroom Saturday.

"(This event) honors our female ancestors who have suffered and persevered for their beliefs," PB Political Affairs Chair Mei-i Zien, the organizer of the event, wrote in the program.

Three awards recognized outstanding women in the GW community.

Scheherazade Rehman, a professor in the international business department, accepted the faculty award. Her program joins the Elliott School of International Affairs with the School of Business and Public Management.

Rehman was nominated by political science professor Michael Sodaro, who was unable to attend but wrote, "She is an exceptional role model for men and women in the male-dominated field of international business."

"I'm honored," Rehman said. "It's been a long hard road - but it's been fun."

D.C. Reads volunteer Jessica Rosgaard presented the staff award to Martha Kreiner, the campus coordinator for D.C. Reads, which recruits GW work study students to tutor in the D.C. area twice a week.

"I am privileged to work with so many dedicated people and this means a lot," Kreiner said.

Presidential Administrative Fellow Rodney Salinas presented the student award to Pamela Montano Eclar, a midshipman for Navy ROTC, the historian of the National Society of Black Engineers and the historian of the Philippine Cultural Society. She is also working on the Filipino Intercollegiate Networking Dialogue Conference.

The event's auction raised more than \$1,200 for Suited for a Change, Zien said.

This non-profit, D.C.-based organization provides professional

clothing, shoes, purses, jewelry, seminars and job training for women with low incomes trying to join the workforce, said Claudia Askew, co-founder of Suited for Change.

She said the organization helps women making the transition from welfare to work.

"You can't imagine how good it feels to see a woman put on a suit that she thought she could never have," Askew said. "It makes her feel so special and makes her able to hold her head up high."

Student leaders of past, present and future donated their faces for a pie to be thrown at them by the highest bidder in J Street at Wednesday's election night party.

Master of ceremonies Anthony Rizzuto, PB secretary, received the highest bid at \$25. Six people, mostly candidates in the upcoming elections, did not receive bids.

PB executive chair candidates Brian Nathanson and Mike Jewsbury decided to bid \$20, and the winner of the election will get a pie in the face from the loser.

All items up for silent auction were given starting bids and estimated value prices, however some items were sold at prices lower than the starting bid.

"I guess we did not have the right kind of crowd," Zien said. "We did not know how the crowd would receive some of the (items up for auction) and those were the things that sold at low prices."

Most of the items up for auction were donated by several organizations, including the Hard Rock Cafe, the Park Hyatt Health Club, the Taipei Economic-Cultural Representative Office, clothing stores, hotels and on-campus groups.

The GW basketball teams signed basketballs, which were sold for \$1 for the women's and \$5 for the men's. Sterling silver earrings sold for \$3, and the 1998 Cherry Tree yearbook with a full-page ad in the sports section sold for \$10.

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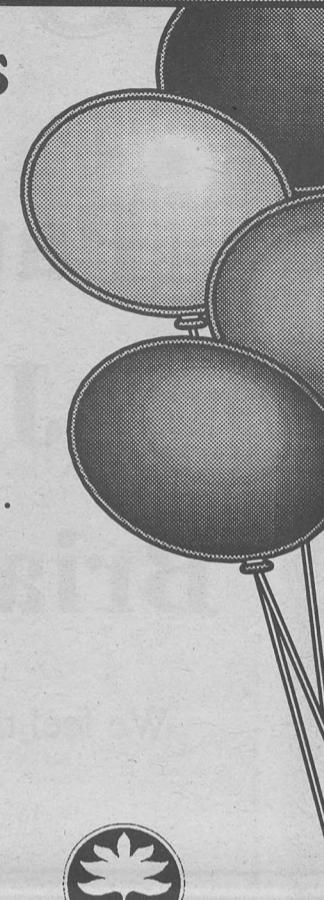
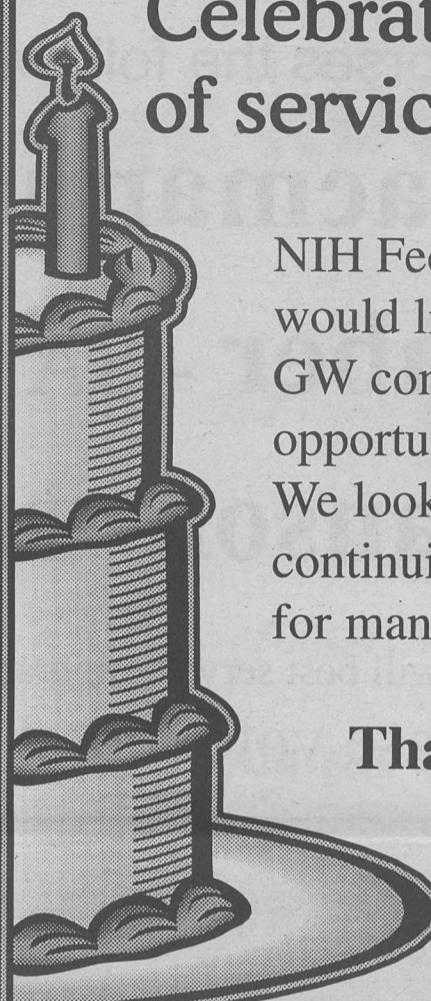
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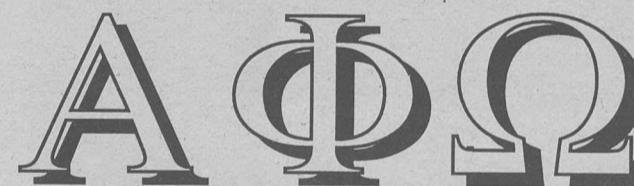
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BPU celebrates black history

by Miya Wiseman

Hatchet Staff Writer

GW's Black Peoples' Union is hosting its annual Black History Celebration, pushing beyond February's Black History Month to continue pride-inspiring programs.

"The goal we set out at the beginning of the year was to help our students academically, culturally and socially," said BPU President James Allen. "I think we are serving that purpose through the Black History Celebration."

The celebration opened Feb. 1 with a performance by Sensory Perceptions. "A Mother's Apology" highlighted the skits presented. This poem introduces an African woman apologizing to her son before she grabbed him and jumped into shark-infested water to escape slavery in America.

James Horton, an American civilization and history professor, spoke about "slave history." He said Africans from different tribes spoke different languages, and described how they communicated with each other when forced into slavery.

Horton also discussed slaves' singing as the pace-maker by which they picked cotton. This way, no one would be whipped by the overseer for working too slow, he said.

Five black GW students sat on a panel for "Census of Our People," a discussion of the black experience at GW.

Students addressed issues ranging from getting black students together on campus for events, to whether or not students enjoy their years at GW.

"I don't see the black experience at GW as being hostile," said Emeka Oolumba, a junior from Nigeria. "It might appear that way because there are so few black people here, but if you're looking for overt racism at this University, you're not going to find it."

Senior Stuart Washington disagreed and said he recently was stopped by a University Police officer and forced to show student identification while he was chalking a sidewalk for an on-campus event.

"That was the second time that has

happened to me," Washington said. "Immediately, the officers didn't think that I could be a student here. I've never seen that happen to a white student."

BPU also hosted "Showcase of Black Poets," an open-mike event where participants recited poetry about religion, black love, gangster life and other issues.

Poet Louise Wheat Gray, who said some of her best memories were born from her college experience, passed around chocolate kisses as she read her poem of the same name.

Upcoming events for the Black History Celebration include a program on black writers, a discussion of black sexuality and the annual Alpha Kappa

Alpha and BPU fashion show, which will donate proceeds to Grandma's House, an organization that helps African Americans with diabetes.

"The whole experience was enlightening," Allen said. "The turnout could've been better, but overall I was happy with this year's Black History Celebration."

-Monique L. Harding contributed to this report.

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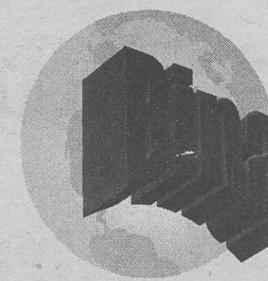
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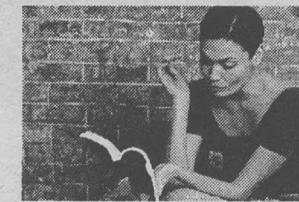
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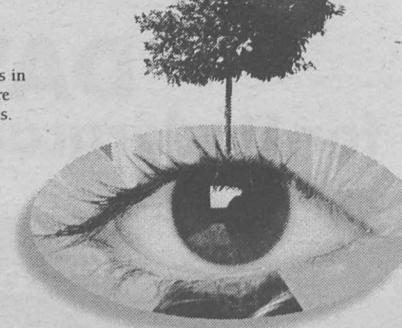
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Tyson Trish/editor in chief
Sophomore guard Elisa Aguilar led all scorers with 21 points Thursday.

GW loses to Hokies in A-10 semifinals

from p. 1

as she drove the right side.

After Tech hit one of its two free throws, forward Mandisa Turner was called for a moving screen on GW's next possession. The Lady Hokies made two more free throws to take a 71-67 lead from which GW never recovered.

Aguilar led the Colonial women with 30 points, including five three-pointers, to go along with six steals. Gomez finished with 17 points and eight rebounds.

Virginia Tech, which advanced to the A-10 final game against Massachusetts, was led by Michelle Houseright's 20 points.

GW 66, La Salle 51

GW advanced to the semifinals of the A-10 Tournament by coasting to a 66-51 victory over La Salle (15-13) Thursday night at the Smith Center.

The Colonial women started putting the game

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out of reach at the end of the first half. The Explorers trailed by a point at 16-15 with just less than nine minutes left in the half. The Colonial women, though, closed out the half with an 18-2 run to take a 34-17 lead into halftime.

Aguilar, who led all scorers in the game with 21 points, keyed the run by scoring nine of GW's first 10 points during that key stretch. After a baseline jumper and a three-pointer, Aguilar drove from the right three-point arc, sidestepped a player and made a pretty banked layup to give GW a 23-15 lead.

"She has a second gear that she doesn't use all the time," GW head coach Joe McKeown said. "Maybe she's saving it for March, because when she really wants to get by somebody, almost no one can stop her."

GW's defense was also an important part of the run. La Salle hit just 22 percent of its shots in the first 20-minute session in what turned out to be its lowest point total for a half this season.

"We had a very difficult time making our shots tonight, although I thought we were getting a lot of very makeable shots, especially in the first half," La Salle head coach John Miller said. "You're just not going to beat a talented team like George Washington shooting 29 percent, pure and simple."

La Salle was successful in keeping GW's leading scorer, Noelia Gomez, in check on the offensive end, although she still ended up with 12 points and 11 rebounds. Sophomore guard Marlo Egleston stepped up to take some of the scoring load off Gomez and Aguilar with 12 points of her own, including three three-pointers in the second half.

"The teams we've been playing have been focusing on Noelia a lot, so we need to make outside shots to open up Noelia inside," Egleston said. "There are times that the rest of us need to step up and make it a team effort and beat people as a team."

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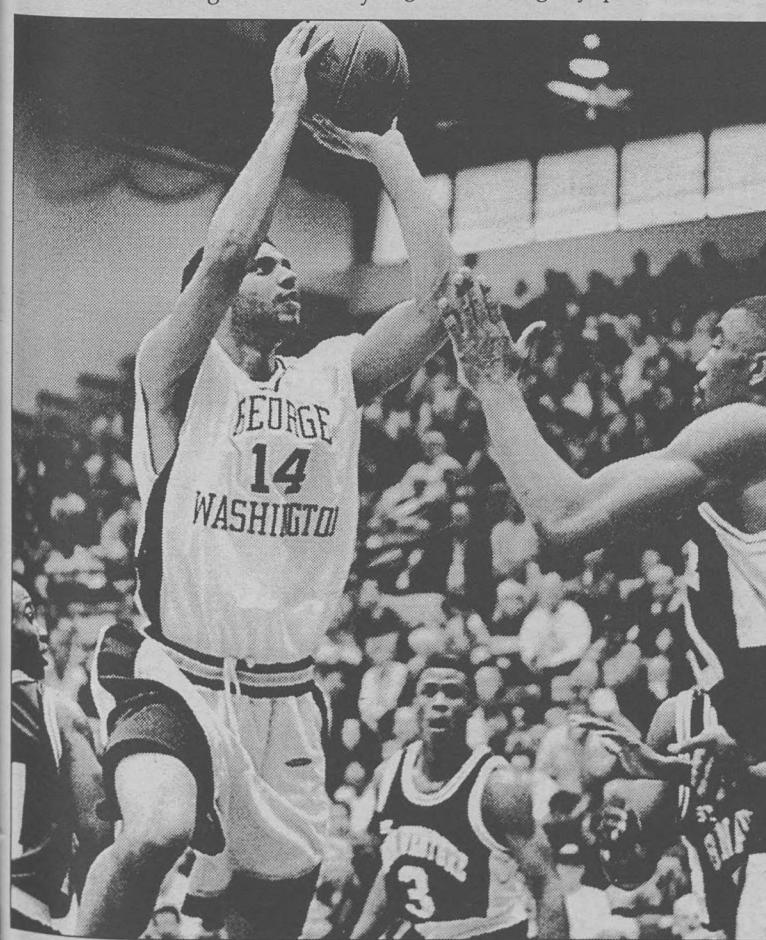
Colonials clinch 2nd place in A-10 West with win over SBU

by Dave Mann

Sports Editor

Guard Shawnta Rogers' steal and four free throws in the final minute lifted the GW men's basketball team to a 71-67 win over St. Bonaventure in its final regular season game Saturday at the Smith Center.

With the win, GW (22-7, 11-5 Atlantic 10) clinched second place in the A-10 West Division and guaranteed itself a first-round bye when the A-10 Tournament begins Wednesday



Jay Crystal/asst. photo editor
Francisco de Miranda and the GW men's basketball team clinched a first-round bye in the A-10 Tournament with a win over the Bonnies.

in Philadelphia. The Colonials will play either Massachusetts or Virginia Tech Thursday at 2:30 p.m.

Forward Pat Ngongba and reserve Seco Camara had 14 and 15 points respectively, but it was Rogers and senior Andrei Krivonos who won the game for GW in the final minute.

The game was tied at 67 with 20 seconds remaining. St. Bonaventure (16-13, 6-10 A-10) had possession and was setting up for the winning basket when Rogers stripped the ball from Bonnies' guard Tim Winn.

Rogers (18 points) got to the loose ball first, and Winn grabbed Rogers' jersey to prevent a breakaway and a game-winning layup for GW. Winn

was called for an intentional foul, which sent Rogers to the free throw line for two foul shots with seven seconds left – and then gave the ball back to GW.

Rogers made the two free throws to put the Colonials ahead 69-67. GW got possession, and Rogers was fouled again and made two more free throws to seal the win, 71-67.

The Colonials had led for the last 17 minutes of the second half before David Capers' three-pointer gave St. Bonaventure a 67-65 lead with 20 seconds left. However, Krivonos was fouled during the shot. The officials ruled that Capers made the shot before the foul, but Krivonos was sent to the free throw line and made two foul shots to tie the game at 67.

"There isn't anybody, besides Shawnta, who I would rather have at the line at the end of the game than Andrei Krivonos," GW coach Mike Jarvis said.

Senior Alexander Koul played only seven minutes and scored three points in his final game at the Smith Center. Koul committed three fouls in the first half, including a technical. He was called for his fourth foul 17 seconds into the second half and didn't play the rest of the game.

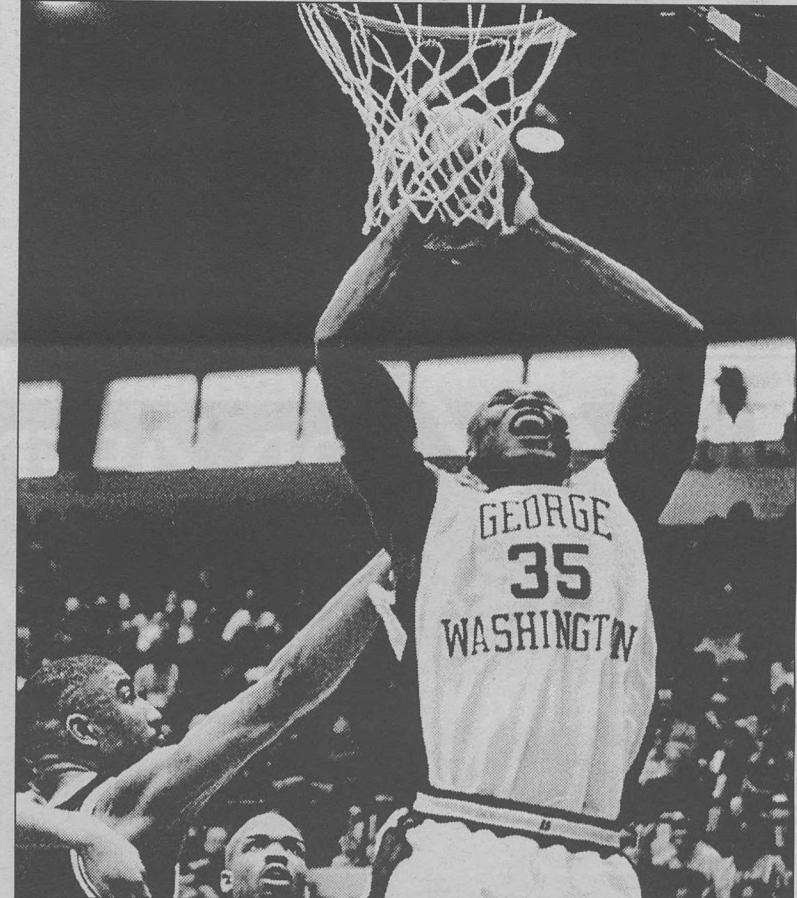
However, the 6-8 Ngongba made up for Koul's absence, set career-highs with 14 points, 3 steals and 2 blocks, tied a career-high with nine rebounds and even made a three-pointer. Camara added 15 points in 23 minutes, including three three-pointers.

"Their bench did a great job of giving them some fire," St. Bonaventure Coach Jim Baron said. "Camara and Ngongba really stepped up."

"I'm proud of Pat, who didn't quit even when he was sitting on the bench," Jarvis said. "His best days are still ahead of him."

Rashaan Palmer led St. Bonaventure with a career-high 31 points and kept the Bonnies in the game in the second half.

GW led 31-29 at halftime, but the game was tied at 47 with 8:30 remaining. Then Camara fed Mike King for a layup, Yegor Mescheriakov (11 points) made a jump shot and Camara made a three-pointer. In all,



Jay Crystal/asst. photo editor
Freshman Pat Ngongba dunks for two of his career-high 14 points in GW's 71-67 win over St. Bonaventure Saturday.

GW scored seven straight points and led 54-47 with seven minutes remaining.

However, Palmer led the Bonnies back. Palmer converted a layup and was fouled. He made the free throw to bring St. Bonaventure within 54-50 with 4:45 left. A minute later, Palmer hit a jump shot to cut the Colonial lead to 58-55.

GW led 62-61 when Mescheriakov fed Ngongba for a dunk. But James Singleton answered for the Bonnies, intercepting a Mescheriakov pass and going the length of the court for a layup to cut GW's lead to 64-63 with a minute remaining.

"St. Bonnies is an excellent basketball team," Jarvis said. "I predict that whoever they play (Wednesday) in Philadelphia is going home. But it won't be us."

It was the final home game for not only Koul and Krivonos, but also seniors Darin Green and Rasheed Hazzard.

GW men 71, St. Bonaventure 67					
	MIN	FG	REB	PF	PTS
St. Bonaventure					
Palmer	36	10-19	7	3	31
Durham	24	0-2	4	3	2
Cyrus	35	7-17	6	1	15
Winn	38	1-8	6	5	2
Singleton	25	3-9	1	4	9
Capers	19	2-6	7	0	5
King	3	0-0	0	0	0
Van Paassen	7	1-1	1	4	2
Lumsdon	13	0-1	1	1	1
TOTALS	200	24-63	38	21	67
GW					
Ngongba	35	3-5	9	1	14
Mescheriakov	26	3-5	2	1	11
Koul	7	1-2	1	4	2
King	24	1-7	3	2	3
Rogers	37	4-11	6	2	18
Krivonos	5	0-0	0	4	2
de Miranda	26	3-6	4	2	6
Brade	14	0-3	3	1	0
Hazzard	3	0-1	0	0	0
Camara	23	6-9	2	2	15
TOTALS	200	21-49	37	19	71
SBU	29	38	67		
GW	31	40	71		

SBU-Percentages: FG .381, FT .625. Three-point goals: 4-13 (Palmer 1-2, Singleton 2-5, Capers 1-2), 308. Blocked shots: 7 (Three with 2). Assists: 11 (Winn 6). Turnovers: 13 (Winn 7). Steals: 11 (Winn 5).

GW-Percentages: FG .429, FT .808. Three-point goals: 8-18 (Ngongba 1-1, Mescheriakov 1-1, Rogers 3-8, Camara 3-5), 444. Blocked shots: 6 (Ngongba 2). Assists: 14 (Rogers 5). Turnovers: 16 (King 4). Steals: 7 (Ngongba, Rogers 3).

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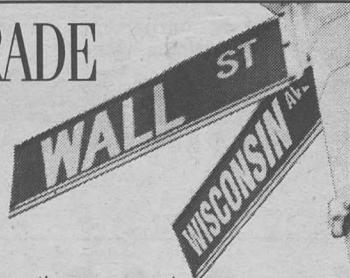
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Swim teams cap historic season

by Dave Mann

Sports Editor

The GW men's and women's swimming and diving teams wrapped up swimming & diving one of the most successful seasons in GW history by breaking five conference records and 13 school records – and had numerous other personal accomplishments at the Atlantic 10 Championships Feb. 19-21.

The men's team won 10 of 16 events and finished a close second to A-10 Champion Massachusetts at the meet in Buffalo, N.Y.

Sophomore Tim Champney set an A-10 record in the 100-yard backstroke. Juan Bocanegra set a conference mark in the 200-yard individual medley, and Rush Taylor broke a conference record in the 100-yard breaststroke. Taylor, Champney, Bocanegra and Dave Simonetti were all first team All-Conference selections.

In addition, Bocanegra, Champney, Taylor and Simonetti broke an A-10 record in the 400-yard medley relay, and Champney, Taylor, Simonetti and walk-on Jason Serino set a conference mark in the 200-yard medley relay.

"We did very well on both sides, but we set high expectations," head coach Marc Hagen said. "Although we did very well, we can do better. Next year we can try to take it to the next level and get five or six guys into the NCAA (Championships)."

Bocanegra was named A-10 Male Swimmer of the Year, and Hagen was awarded Coach of the Year.

In addition, Champney, Taylor, Bocanegra and Mike Cottone had fast enough swims to be considered for the NCAA Championships. Although

Hagen said it was unlikely they would be selected, making the consideration cut requires one of the top 35-40 fastest swims in the nation.

"You could tell we were going to swim well at the A-10s, because everybody was looking good in the water," Champney said. "I could see that (Bocanegra) would do well. He has put in a lot of work in the water and in the weight room."

The women's team finished third at the championships and broke a school record in the 200-yard freestyle relay. Robin Bolstad, Connie Shelton, Brandyn Roark and Kristen

Janeczek's time of 1:37.41 broke the old record of 1:38.33.

Even with this season's success, Champney said expectations for next year will be no higher than this season.

"That puts too much pressure on the team and people would focus on winning and not swimming fast," he said. "We'll train hard over the summer, come in, have fun and do our best."

The team is losing only two seniors on the men's team and five on the women's side. "We look very strong for next year," Hagen said.



Sophomore Juan Bocanegra was named A-10 Male Swimmer of the Year at the A-10 Championships last weekend.



GW's hockey club poses with the championship trophy after beating Navy in Sunday's championship game.

Hockey club tops Navy, wins championship in third season

by Dave Mann
Sports Editor

In only its third season, GW's hockey club became champion of the Mason-Dixon Collegiate Hockey Association with a 4-2 win over Navy Feb. 22.

GW finished 17-2-2 in its second season in the league. The team beat defending league champion Georgetown 12-3 in the first round

of the playoffs and came from behind in the third period to top Bucknell in the semifinals 4-3.

Bucknell took a 3-1 lead with 7:30 left, but GW scored two goals within a minute to tie the score. The game remained tied until junior Bryce Wendel scored with just 13 seconds left to send GW into the championship game against Navy.

Wendel scored in each of the three playoff games and led GW with five goals and seven assists in the tourna-

ment. Wendel scored a hat trick and eight points against Georgetown.

"Bryce and our goalie Eric Travers were definitely our MVPs," club founder Jeff Butler said.

Georgetown went undefeated and won the league last season, but GW won two of its three games against GU this season. GW and Georgetown skated to a 4-4 tie in their first game of the season.

-Dustin Gouker contributed to this report.

Solid defense keys quarterfinal win for GW women

by Jamie Lin
Hatchet Sports Writer

One of the keys to the GW women's basketball team's 66-51 victory over La Salle Thursday was its strong defensive play, led by junior forward Mandisa Turner's record eight blocks.

Turner's blocks were the most ever by a Colonial woman in an Atlantic 10 Tournament game and the second most by a player in an A-10 Tournament game. She leads the team and the conference with a total of 40 blocks this season.

GW held La Salle to 17 points in the first half, the Explorers' season low for points scored in a half.

"The last six or seven minutes I thought we really locked them up on defense, they didn't get many open shots," GW head coach Joe McKeown said.

The first half ended with 11 unanswered points by the Colonial women. La Salle finished shooting 21.9 percent from the field in the first half and 29 percent for the game.

"Our defensive effort was pretty solid for most of the game," McKeown said.

The Colonial women displayed their signature defensive play, forc-

ing shot clock violations, turnovers and bad shots.

"They really get all over you, they really deny the ball and they really get in your face," La Salle head coach John Miller said. "We often have a difficult time running our offense against GW's defense because they do play such terrific defense. I think they play the best defense in the conference."

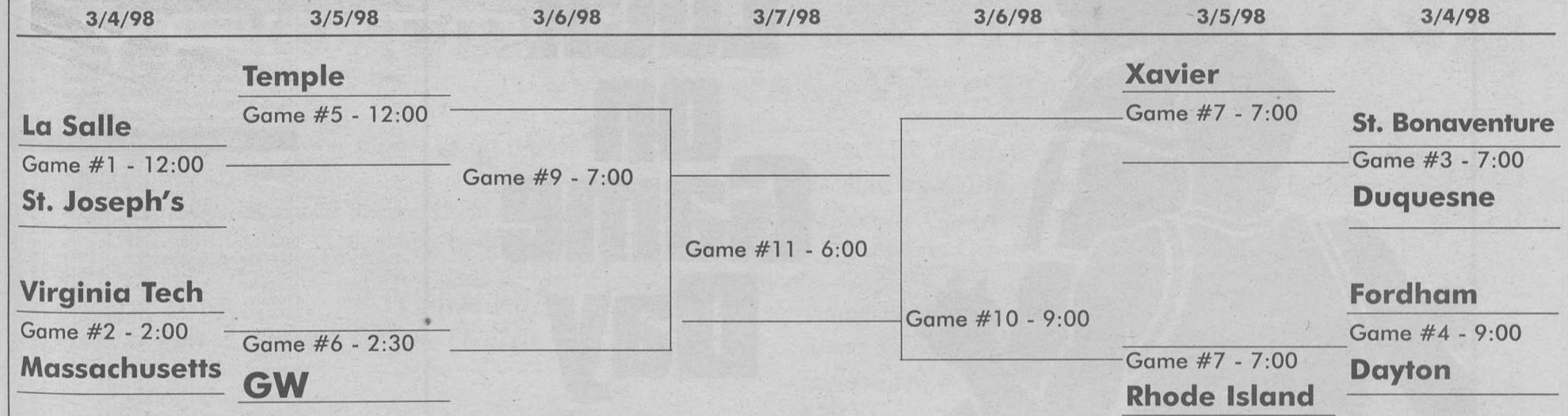
GW's defense is bolstered by A-10 Defensive Player of the Year Chasity Myers, the first Colonial woman ever to capture that award. She usually is assigned the task of guarding the opposing team's best player. Myers, who came away with one steal against the Explorers, played just 24 minutes in the game and does not practice because of continuing problems with sore knees and ankles.

The entire team collected a total of eight steals. Guards Marlo Egleston and Elisa Aguilar came away with three apiece.

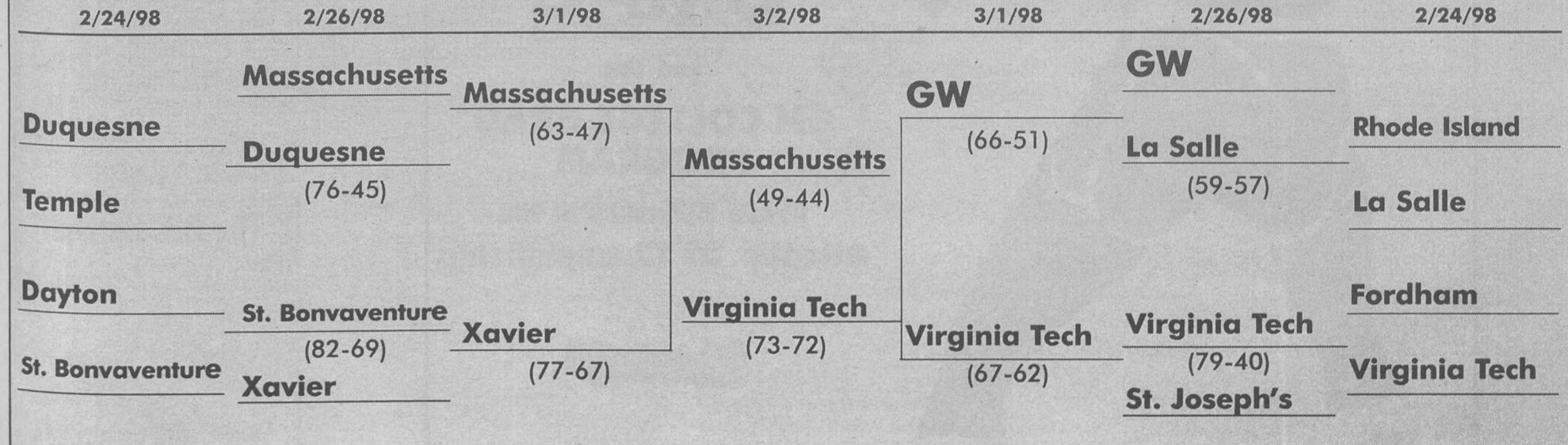
Khadija Deas, who had two blocks against La Salle, went into the game fourth in the conference in blocks, averaging 0.95 per game.

GW leads the conference in the number of blocks per game and also in defensive field goal percentage and turnover margin.

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1998 Atlantic 10 Conference WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET



GW gymnasts lose at UNC, set school record at home

by Dustin Gouker

Sports Editor

The GW gymnastics team lost to the University of North Carolina at Carmichael Auditorium Friday night, but the Colonial gymnasts made school history in a meet earlier in the week.

Facing off with Eastern Michigan University, Radford University and the University of Maryland at the Smith Center Tuesday, GW set a school record for team score in a meet with a total of 194.150 in taking first place in the four-team meet. GW shattered its best meet score by almost a point. The previous best, set in 1997, was 193.350.

Maryland finished second in the meet with a score of just 192.050, while Eastern Michigan and Radford finished well off GW's record-setting pace.

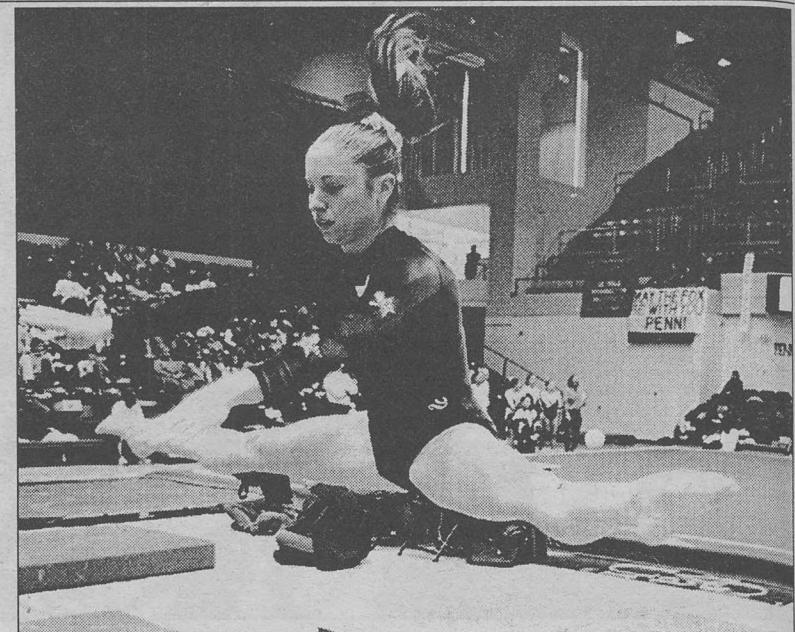
The Colonial women trailed by a tenth of a point after the first rotation on the vault, but they quickly took the lead in the meet with a stellar performance on the uneven bars.

GW made history on the balance beam as well, recording a team score of 48.775, the best performance on that apparatus in school history. Senior Shari Doulman set a personal best in winning the event with a score of 9.875.

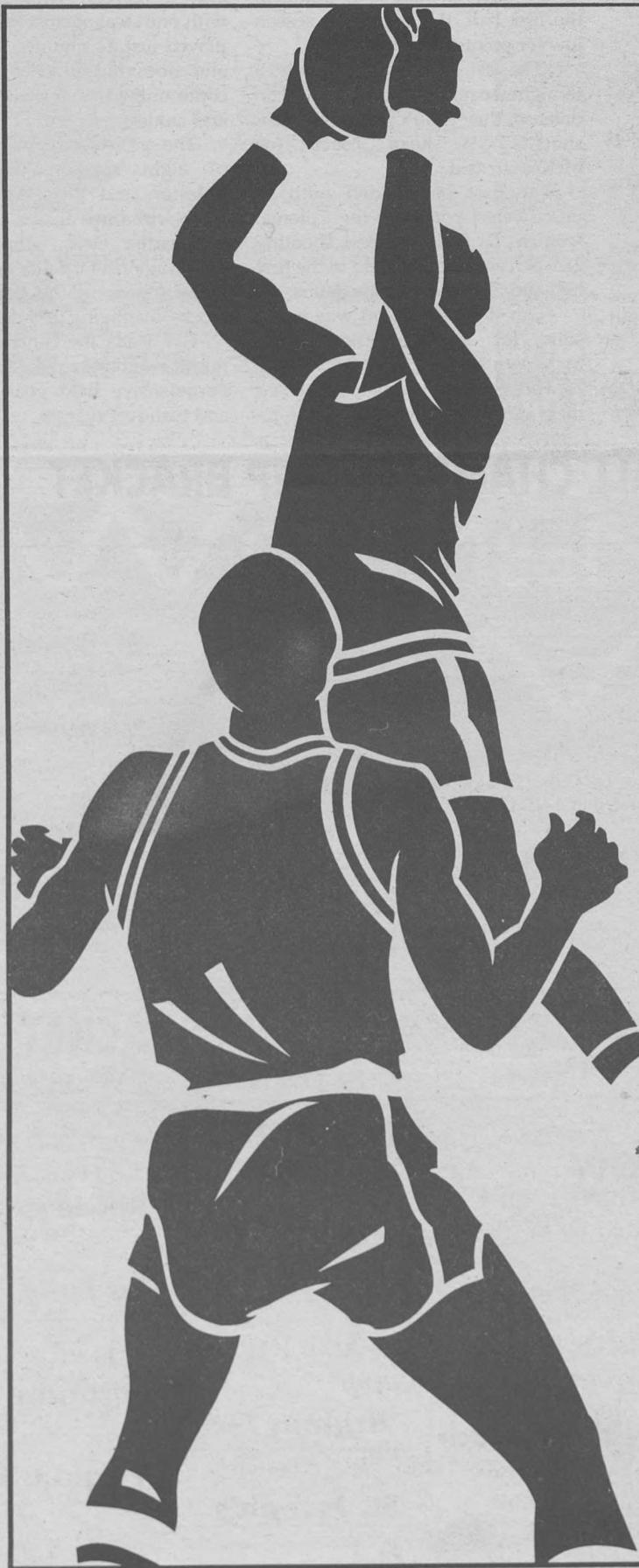
Freshman Darden Wilee won the all-around competition with a score of 39.025, the second-best all-around score in school history. The best all-around score ever recorded -39.050 - was posted by senior Alexis Hrynk last season. Hrynk finished second in the all-around with a score of 38.925, the fourth-best mark in the program's history.

GW, though, couldn't maintain its momentum heading into Friday's meet at North Carolina as the Colonial women trailed from start to finish. UNC won the dual meet 190.850-189.850.

Doulman recorded a victory on the beam (9.725), while Hrynk tied for first place in both the floor exercise (9.775) and the all-around competition (38.525). The Colonial gymnasts are back in action Friday when they compete in the Oregon State Invitational.



Josh Prezant/Hatchet photographer
The GW women's gymnastics team broke a school record with an overall team score of 194.150 in Tuesday's four-team meet at the Smith Center.



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Turner	17	5-9	8	5	11
Gomez	40	6-14	8	4	17
Deas	18	1-2	5	4	2
Myers	29	2-13	2	4	4
Aguilar	38	11-22	0	3	30
Baskova	5	0-1	2	0	0
Egleston	31	2-3	1	3	8
Chiparus	4	0-0	0	1	0
Reid	9	0-2	4	2	0
Carlson	9	0-2	1	1	0
TOTALS	200	27-68	38	27	72
Virginia Tech	MIN	FG	REB	PF	PTS
O'Connor	16	1-4	1	1	2
Williams	34	6-14	12	1	16
Nolley	7	1-3	0	1	2
Witherspoon	38	0-0	3	3	3
Wetzel	38	1-4	5	3	10
Houseright	27	4-8	6	1	20
Maitland	5	0-1	1	0	0
Albertsson	2	0-1	0	0	0
Seaver	2	0-0	0	0	0
Hicks	21	3-7	2	2	12
Dinka	10	2-4	3	3	8
TOTALS	200	18-46	34	15	73
GW	39	34	73		
Virginia Tech	37	35	72		

GW-Percentages: FG .397, FT .846. Three-point goals: 7-15 (Aguilar 5-10, Egleston 1-2), .467. Blocked shots: 4 (Gomez 1). Assists: 12 (Myers 2, Aguilar 4). Turnovers: 21 (Aguilar 6). Steals: 14 (Aguilar 6).

Va. Tech-Percentages: FG .391, FT .872. Three-point goals: 3-11 (Wetzel 1-3, Hicks 2-5), .273. Blocked shots: 1 (Witherspoon). Assists: 14 (Witherspoon 8). Turnovers: 21 (Houseright 5). Steals: 9 (Houseright 3).

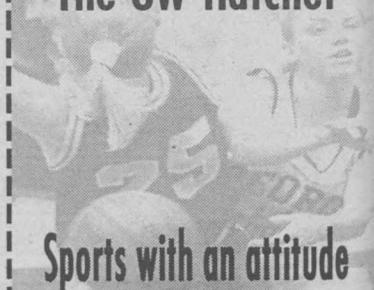
GW women 66, La Salle 51

La Salle	MIN	FG	REB	PF	PTS
Haynes	32	1-8	6	1	3
Weiss	21	1-7	7	1	4
Jewett	30	4-12	4	1	10
Wolfe	40	4-15	9	2	9
Rhoads	31	3-7	2	1	6
Hindelang	13	2-6	2	5	4
Newhard	17	1-2	4	0	6
McDade	15	2-5	2	5	9
Tuinstra	1	0-0	0	0	0
TOTALS	200	18-62	41	16	51
GW	MIN	FG	REB	PF	PTS
Turner	27	2-4	5	3	6
Gomez	32	4-13	11	4	12
Egleston	34	3-10	3	2	12
Myers	24	1-6	4	1	2
Aguilar	37	9-15	4	0	21
Baskova	5	0-0	0	1	0
Chiparus	9	1-1	5	4	2
Reid	19	4-8	3	0	9
Carlson	1	0-0	0	0	0
Deas	12	0-2	5	2	2
TOTALS	200	24-59	43	17	66
La Salle	17	34	51		
GW	34	32	66		

La Salle-Percentages: FG .290, FT .722. Three-point goals: 2-12 (Haynes 1-4, Wolfe 1-3), .167. Blocked shots: 2 (Weiss, Wolfe). Assists: 11 (Rhoads 3). Turnovers: 13 (Jewett 4). Steals: 7 (Wolfe 3).

GW-Percentages: FG .407, FT .688. Three-point goals: 7-15 (Gomez 1-2, Egleston 3-8, Aguilar 3-5), .467. Blocked shots: 10 (Turner 8). Assists: 17 (Myers 5). Turnovers: 17 (Egleston, Aguilar 5). Steals: 8 (Egleston, Aguilar 3).

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